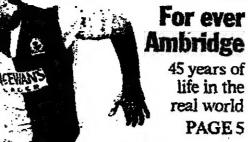


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New year celebrations in Sydney, with the Opera House and the Harbour Bridge outlined by a £72,000 firework display set off from cranes and barges and cued to music

I will not cut and run, vows Major

POLITICAL EDITOR

JOHN MAJOR last night accused the latest Tory defector of "cutting and running" as the Conservative high com-mand tried to head off the danger of further desertions with pledges to uphold the values of one nation Conserva-

The Prime Minister, in his first comments on the decision of Emma Nicholson to join the Liberal Democrats, reducing his parliamentary majority to three, underlined his determination to fight on into 1997.

In a conversation with Brian Mawhinney, his party chairman, he promised that he would push on "through ment's survival.

Last night Mr Major delivered a bitter attack on Miss Nicholson, whose Friday night announcement torpedoed the Government's new vear counter-attack against

Writing in The Sun Mr Major said: "It is easy to cut and run when hard decisions have to be made, as we have seen with the defection of one MP in the last couple of days. It is sad when people cannot see through commitments they have personally made to their electorate just a few years ago. But that will not deflect me from seeing through my commitments to the end."

Party. He warned them that a Labour Government would weaken, divide and wreck Britain". He declared that in 1996 more of Britain's success would feed through into people's pockets.

He heralded a "triple gold" - homeowners enjoying the lowest mortgage costs for a generation, families seeing a big increase in their spending power after tax changes and inflation, and people benefit-ing from extra expenditure on

schools, hospitals and police. Britain had earned the right to look forward with confidence, optimism and hope, he said. Mr Major's message was written before the Nicholson defection and Conservative

decision.

After a day in which the Liberal Democrats and a senior Tory MP suggested that others might follow Miss Nicholson, sources highlighted passages that reflected Mr Major's commitment to one nation Toryism.

He wrote to constituency chairmen: "We must not rest until all our children are taught in schools where high standards and honest values go hand in hand . . . We must maintain and improve our public services. We must promote our beliefs abroad as resolutely as we cherish them at home."

A succession of Tories seized on Miss Nicholson's depar-ture to warn Mr Major that he must not abandon the centre ground

Miss Nicholson pinpointed the alleged departure from one nation principles as the reason for so many MPs deciding to stand down at the next election. She said: "We just can't stand the bashing of people of different colours and creeds, minorities and single narents, somebody who just doesn't happen to be a white, Anglo-Saxon, male, protestant, Member of Parliament."

Senior Tories were coming to terms with the prospect of their Commons majority disappearing this year. There are immediate signs of any further defections but they cannot be ruled out. The death of one or two Tory MPs could mean that the majority will go.

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Royal gift Shephard to head's to address union memorial The Queen has made a militants nial" personal do

BY JOHN O'LEARY **EDUCATION EDITOR**

confront classroom militants head on by becoming the first Education Secretary for 16 years to address the annual conference of the National Union of Teachers.

The invitation accepted by Mrs Shephard represents a victory for moderates trying to wrest control of the union from leftwingers who dominate the policy-making conference. Activists are predicting disruption and officials expect to step up security for the conference in Cardiff over the Easter weekend.

Last Easter, there were ugly scenes when David Blunkett, the Shadow Education Secretary, arrived to speak at a fringe meeting. He was harrangued by far-left demonstrators and had to take refuge in a locked office for almost half an hour.

However, Mr Blunkett will be returning to address the full conference this year. Mrs. Shephard spoke at all the other classroom unions last year without incident.

Bernard Regan, a leftwinger on the NUT executive, said:
"I should have thought there will be pretty overwhelming opposition to Mrs Shephard's views. How the delegates will express it, I do not know, but I would have thought there will be some expression of concern

The executive approved the invitation by a narrow majority in the teeth of militant opposition. The education spokesmen of Plaid Cymru and the Liberal Democrats have also been invited to speak on different days.

How Wilson pioneered the political soundbite

BY NIGEL WILLIAMSON

THE political soundbite was invented for Harold Wilson more than 30 years ago by a professional speaking enach who told him to cut down his rhetorical flourishes.

Secret Cabinet papers released today under the 30-year rule show that long before an army of image-makers and style consultants made such advice de rigeur, Wilson was told by a voice tutor to keep it short, sharp and avoid the flights of oratory beloved of political speakers from Mark Antony to Michael Foot.

The unsung pioneer was Cicely Berry, later to become voice coach at the Royal Shakespeare Company, a post she held for 25 years. In a piece of advice that could easily have been written by style-guru Peter Mandelson for the present Labour leader, she told Wilson: "There is a tendency to get into a cadence on a long speech and this lessens the appreciation of the content." Wilson was also told "to keep a colloquial rhythm and

only let it beighten into rhetor-ical sing at moments." Armed with such sage advice, Wilson went on to become famous for his relaxed, avuncular television broadcasts in marked contrast to the stilted appearances of Edward

Heath, then Tory leader. Ms Berry was recruited to boost Wilson's television imaction plan, she told Wilson to sharpen his diction. A "lack of muscularity in lips and tongue" meant his words carried insufficient edge. Wilson was also told to relax his tense shoulders since it showed "a slight lack of confidence".

Speaking from her home near Stratford-upon-Avon at the weekend, Ms Berry, who later worked with Neil Kinnock and Prince Charles, said: "I'm astonished anyone remembers my advice.

happy to be cast as midwife to the soundbite. "It has gone to: far. The soundbite, I am sarry to say, is destroying democratie debate." Perhaps, unsurprisingly, she rates none of the current practitioners of the art. The best political speaker of all, to her, was Martin

Luther King.

Ms Berry had some advice

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raised eye brows at the PM Harold Wilson:





Africa after for the present leaders. John Major should "try reading its music. He has no sense of the music of words, no feel. (t's

nothing to do with education. he just has no poetry." Tony Blair she said, needs to learn the value of the dramatic pause. "He's at us all the time, instead of giving us a moment to think, a moment to allow us to come to him."

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At the same time Mr Major sources said that he had not issued a defiantly unbeat hell or high water" in spite of Defecting MP 'punched'

EMMA NICHOLSON, the former Tory MP who has defected to the Liberal Democrats, claims she was hit in the stomach by a Conservative MP in the Commons after she voted for disclosure of members' outside earnings from parliamentary activities.

In an interview with The Times, she says the personal hostility of Tory MPs and party whips to her views on Nolan was one reason why she decided to cross the floor. Miss Nicholson says she faced "intolerable" abuse for

her belief in greater transparency. When she gave evidence to the Nolan inquiry, a Tory

By PETER RIDDELL whip told her she had "betrayed" her colleagues.

On November 6 she was one of two dozen Tory MPs to vote for disclosure, and immediately after leaving the division lobby another member gave her "a sharp blow in the stomach". She refuses to say who hit her and whether it

was a man or a woman. Miss Nicholson says she faced an "onslaught" by colleagues complaining they faced a substantial loss of income because of me". What the whips said afterwards was "unprintable". She also objected to John Major and the Tory whips "hearing down on those

of us who wanted to support, on a free vote, transparency on additional earnings from inhouse income". The pressures were "almost unendurable". She also complains about disgusting locker-room in-

sults" by male Tory MPs about Labour women mem-bers, including frontbenchers. Her objections to government pressure over Nolan coincided with other worries. She cites government policy on Europe, single mothers, the handcuffing of women prisoners, cuts in overseas aid and the new asylum Bill.

She discloses that, after the Continued on page 2, coi I



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for the murdered headmas

revealed last night by Harry

Greenway, Conservative MP for Ealing and a fund

trustee. He said Mr Law-

rence's widow Frances and

the couple's four children were "grateful and delight-ed" at the gesture.

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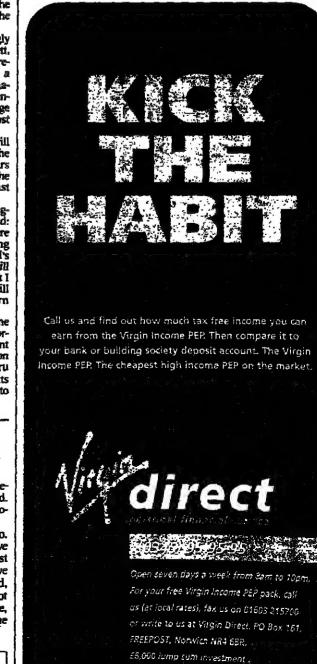
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such political resilience that he is clear favourite to become only the third Democratic President to win reelection since the Civil War. He has a long lead over Robert Dole, his likely Republican opponent... Page 7



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Genghis Khan is chosen Man of the Millennium

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

TONGUE planted firmly in cheek, The Washington Post yesterday cast aside any shilly-shallying about naming the man of the year, decade or century and went boldly instead for its Man of the Millennium.

And the winner was: Genghis Khan. The paper conceded that the 13th Century Mongol conqueror "embodied the half-civilised, half-savage quality of

the human race". But look at his achievements: although he died at 60, his empire stretched from the Pacific to Eastern Europe and from Siberia to the Persian Gulf. Slaughter unparal-

leled for its day made it so. Among those rejected by the Post for the millennial honour were Columbus ("somewhat boring") and Queen Victoria, who also knew a thing or two about building empires.

This could be the start of a parlour game or a subject of idle speculation

from now until, well, the next millennium. The newspaper carried a list of other categories. Among them: Greatest Time and Place of the Millennium: Titian's Venice. Runners-up: New York in the 40s, Paris in the 20s, and Elizabethan England.

Greatest Book: Samuel Johnson's Dictionary of the English Language. Greatest Invention: the printing press. Greatest Painting: Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel ceiling. Greatest Scientist: Albert Einstein, heating Edison and Copernicus. Greatest Genius: Shakespeare. No runner-up considered. Greatest Musical Composition: Mozart's The Marriage of Figaro.

Greatest Singer: Enrico Caruso. Most Evil Person: Adolf Hitter ("we simply had no choice"). In this last category, Genghis Khan must have come close. As the compilers admitted, their Man of the Millennium was not the most benevolent person of his age, nor the deepest thinker, nor the greatest liberator; he was a thue.

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Hints of more defectors, but all suspects say: 'Not me'

Tory moderates tell Major to stop pandering to the Right

LEADERS of the Conservative centre-left told John Major yesterday that there must be no more "pandering" to the Right if he wanted to avoid further defections in the com-

ing year.

But despite a prediction from one left-wing Tory that six or seven others could leave, there was no immediate sign of potential defectors to follow the paths of Emma Nicholson or Alan Howarth.

Peter Temple-Morris, MP for Leominster and chairman of the Macleod group, the leading parliamentary centre-left grouping, said the defec-tions indicated a "serious state of unhappiness in the centreleft of the Conservative Party". He went on: "It is up to the leadership by its actions and

rhetoric to recognise this and the fact that the party must be kept united with due consideration for both its wings, not just one of them." As the media and the Con-

servative whips scanned their lists of MPs for potential defectors, the name most frequently canvassed was Hugh Dykes, MP for Harrow East, who rebelled in the fishing vote before Christmas because of the Government's allegedly negative attitude at the Ma-Indeed it was Mr Dykes

who predicted, during an in-terview with The World This Weekend on Radio 4, that there were "six or seven potentially who will move away unless the Government returns to the moderate centre".

However, he made plain that he was not one of them. He said that he was a lifelong Tory who intended to stay and fight for the right policies. That appeared to be the view of the majority of pro-Euro-pean Tory MPs, several of whom are retiring at the next election.

Another name mentioned by some Liberal Democrat sources was Robert Hicks, MP for Cornwall South East, who has long been uneasy about the Government's European stance. Mr Hicks was in Port Elizabeth at the weekend watching cricket. Close friends of the M.P. who is standing down at the election, said he would never leave the party.

Other names being floated were Sir David Knox, MP for Sir Jim Lester, MP for Broxtowe. But their friends made plain there was no chance of them leaving the Tories. Sir Jim said in a BBC interview that the Right had made the most noise, but the intellectual case for One Nation Toryism had not been lost and it was all the more important to stay and put the

Conservative MPs forecast that any other delectors would almost certainly be surprise names. One said: "If there is another, it will be an oddball someone we had not



Collapse from within poses biggest threat to survival of Government

TORY MPs agreed yesterday that growing disintegration within the party, rather than the loss of its majority, was the biggest threat to John Major's intention of delaying the gen-eral election until 1997.

Whatever happens over the next few months, the Conservatives will remain by far the largest party in Parliament. The disappearance of the majority, if it happens, will not in itself mean that an election is

Governments can survive for long periods without an overall majority provided there is a lack of unanimity among the various opposition parties over a proposition that they should be brought down.

The Government is now virtually reconciled to suffering more defeats over the following one of those defeats, Tony Blair tables a confidence motion and the opposition parties unite to beat the Government that an election will be called.

Emma Nicholson's defection, increasing the Liberal Democrat tally of MPs to 25 and reducing the Tories to 324. strictly cuts the Government's majority to three. If Sir Richard Body, the last of the whipless Euro-rebels, is counted onside, the figure is five. The Government is almost certain to lose the two pending and Staffordshire South-East,

reducing the strict majority to one, or three if Sir Richard is on board.

Thus the death of one or two Tory MPs this year, an actuarial likelihood, or another defection or two would wipe out

the majority.

Labour will clearly seek any opportunity to make the Government look incapable of governing. In the first months of the year it is to table a Commons motion opposing rail privatisation. If the handful of Tory rail rebels find themselves unable to support the Government it will be defeated and a key plank of government strategy will be in

However, the Government will still be likely to retain its slender Commons majority at that stage. A confidence mowould rally the Tories for a short time.

For Tony Blair the best time to table a confidence motion is clearly when the Government's majority has gone. At that point the nine Ulster Unionists would have to decide whether they wanted to

pull the plug.

Knowing that it could be months before the Government finally loses its majority. Labour is therefore counting on continuing disarray within the ruling party to bring forward the date of an

Ministers know that they



have to negotiate the mantraps of the two by-elections. May's local elections when the Tories will be defending 1,000 seats and a strong showing in the equivalent poll four years ago, and the Scott report in the coming months.

If the Government's position, and the morale of its MPs, does not improve by next autumn many MPs beilieve that its will to govern will be called into question. It is at that point that Mr

Major, despite his protestations to the contrary over the weekend, may decide it is better to go sooner rather than

Navy on patrol as Spanish boats fish

patrol in the controversial Irish Box waters this morning as the prime fishing area is opened for the first time to the Spanish fishing fleet. Spain has already sent the names of 20 vessels which intend to fish in the area and the British and Welsh coasts, known by the Spanish fishing community as El Box. A maximum of 40 Spanish vessels are allowed in the 92,000 square mile Irish Box at one time under an agreement which has enraged British fishermen, particularly in the West Country, worried about stock levels.

Stabbing charges

Police have charged a 22ed murders after shoppers and staff at a supermarket were stabbed on Friday. The man, a part-time employee at Birmingham, will appear be-fore magistrates today. He is also charged with attempting to wound two police officers. Five people are in hospital with stab wounds, including a 65-year-old man whose con-

Coach ban starts

Coaches are to be banned motorways from today in a two-year trial that has en-raged the coach industry. The ban is in response to a European Commission directive which requires most buses and coaches to be fitted with speed limiters, restrict-ing their maximum speed to 65mph. Coach operators say that since the journeys will take longer, more fuel will be used and fares will have to

Chess prodigy



Luke McShane, 11, above, became the youngest British player to defeat a chess grandmaster in a formal tournament. He now leads the challengers' section of the tournament in Hastings. East Sussex, with a 100 per cent score. Luke was recog-nised as an outstanding talent at the age of five by the London Chess Centre in Clapham, south London. In 1992 he won the world championship for under-10s.

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Passengers hurt

Three passengers were in-jured when a train from Reading crashed into the buffers at Paddington station, west London. One passenger had whiplash injuries and two others suffered from shock. They were treated at St Mary's Hospital near by, but were not badly hart. The crash disrupted London Underground services and the Hammersmith and City line was closed for a few hours while rail staff carried out safety checks.

State security

A sophisticated new surveillance system is being in-stalled to boost security during state occasions, such as Trooping the Colour, it was disclosed yesterday. Work to install the equipment in a security control room at Horse Guards Parade in central London is well under way. The system will be linked to television cameras positioned at strategic monitoring points in the

Lovers can claim

Unmarried partners will be able to claim a share of their dead lover's estate under new legal rights for cohabitants that come into force today. The Law Reform (Succession) Act brings in a range of reforms to clarify the law on wills and inheritance in line with two Law Commission reports. A Church of England report last year estimated that by the end of the century four couples in five

Ulster Unionists pledge to avert threat of an early election

BY NICHOLAS WATT IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

EVERY DAY THIS WEEK: TWO BLOOMSBURY

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THE Ulster Unionists would support John Major if Labour tabled a motion of confidence in the Government in the near future, John Taylor. the party's deputy leader, said yester-

The MP for Strangford said that Ulster Unionists had no reason to bring about an early general elec-tion. "So long as the Government acts in the interests of the United Kingdom, and in particular Northern Ireland, we would not precipitate an early general election ... at

the moment, the Government is trying its best." Mr Taylor said. Mr Major will be encouraged that some of Mr Taylor's comments were echoed yesterday by Peter Robinson. the deputy leader of the Democratic Unionists, who is normally a staunch critic of the Government. The MP for East Belfast said that the DUP's three MPs would sustain the Government in power if the Government committed itself to establishing

Mr Robinson added that if ministers shied away from backing the

an elected convention in Northern

confidence vote, the DUP would not support the Government. However, the MP said he had been encouraged by the warm reception the Government had given to Unionist proposals for an assembly, which were mentioned in November's An-

glo-Irish communique.
The comments from both MPs underlined the delicate game Unionists will play as the government majority dwindles. Unionists will not want to terminate the Government's life prematurely because they are acutely aware that as Mr Major's position weakens their leverage over the Government will increase. They

also know that Labour, which has supported Mr Major's Northern Ireland policy, would adopt a similar position in Government.

Relations between David Trimble, the UUP's leader, and John Major are also reasonably cordial. Mr Trimble, who made no secret of his anger with the Government when he was elected leader last September, has since been greatly encouraged by Mr Major's warm response to his proposal to establish an elected assembly in Northern Ireland.

However, Mr Trimble will not want the Prime Minister to take his

crucial phase in the peace process, which includes the publication of the Mitchell report on arms decommis-sioning this month. If the Government weakens its position on the arms issue and makes further concessions to Sinn Fein, the relatively warm atmosphere between the Ulster Unionists and the Government

could quickly dissipate. If Labour tables a no-confidence motion, attention will focus on the nine UUP MPs, who can be expected to back the position adopted by Mr Trimble and Mr Taylor, despite significant differences between the

Tories advertise for election victory



Taylor: would support

Defecting MP 'punched'

Continued from page I rightwing speeches at earlier Tury party conferences, she actively didn't want to go to the Blackpool conference three months ago. She compares the anti-Brussels speech made then by Michael Portillo, the Defence Secretary, with what was being said in Nazi Germany in 1937.

It took just over three weeks from her initial semi-joking contact with Nick Harvey, the Liberal Democrat for North Devon, late at night in the Commons, to her announcement on Friday. It involved contacts via various intermediaries, then a series of secret muctings.

These were first with Lord Holme of Cheltenham, the party's longstanding behindthe scenes fixer, to gauge how serious she was about changing party and how comfortable she would be with the Liberal Democrats, the Tories'

main enemy in the West Country, then with Paddy Ashdown, the party leader, in Devon on the Friday before Christmas and in London last

She informed the Prime Minister and the officers of her local association in Devon West and Torridge just before the planned interview with Robin Oakley, the BBC's political editor, last Friday.

A crisis meeting of the officers of Devon West and

Torridge Conservative Association was due to take place Photographs of the MP have already been removed from

the association buildings, but officers have decided not to incur any costs by reprinting their stationery.
Margaret Taylor, the chair-

man of the association, said: "A simple pen stroke through her name will do." Dame Margaret Fry, the

worked with the MP for three years at Conservative Central office, said: "I received a fax only 10 minutes before she went live on the news. I was baffled. It thanked me for my hard work. Then I got a phone call from the chairman.

association president who

"I sensed that there was dissatisfaction. But right until a few days ago she was defending the government line and pledging that she would stand again. We feel so let down. She said that she hoped the friendship could continue. We will have to see."

Miss Nicholson antagonised her supporters in 1990 by joining the Michael Heseltine leadership campaign against Margaret Thatcher. Some thought she should have been deselected then," Dame Margaret said.

Peter Riddell, page 14 Letters, page 15

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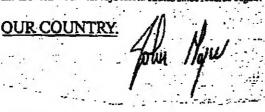
has the lowest basic rate of tax for over 50 years, "

has the lowest unemployment of any major European country.

has the longest period of low inflation for 50 years,

has the majority of Europe's most profitable companies, is now selling more goods and services abroad than ever before,

and has seen the fewest days lost in strikes since records began?



The Tory party's advert in yesterday's papers

Maurice Saatchi and other image gurus of the Thatcher years to help him in his attempt to gain re-election. Advertisements placed in yesterday's newspapers to mark the start of a new year campaign to spell out the Tory record of achievements were inspired by Downing Street, but were the work of Mr Saatchi, whose old Saatchi & Saatchi agency served the Tories in successive winning

Brian Mawhinney, the Conservative Party Chairman. will also call on the expertise of Sir Tim Bell and Peter Gummer, brother of the Environment Secretary John, to make presentations in the campaign. Party sources say the advertisements put across the party's case in a straightforward way. Michael Hesel-

JOHN MAJOR is to call on tine, the Deputy Prime Minis-

ter, is a strong supporter of the He has complained that the media has been obsessed with

troubles and has failed to put

across its achievements.

Yesterday's adverts, signed by Mr Major, emphasise among other things that Britain has the lowest mortgage rates for 30 years, the lowest basic rate of tax for 50 years, the lowest unemployment of any major European country

and the longest period of low inflation for 50 years. Mr Major repeated these assertions in his new year message to Tory party chairmen last night.

No decision on the party's advertising account has been taken by Mr Mawhinnney, who wants to be able to call on as much talent as possible.





Bishops condemn 'grotesque' £33m Lottery jackpot

BY ANDREW PIERCE

A RECORD 133 million Lottery jackpot for next weekend was condemned as grotesque yesterday by senior churchmen. Radical changes to the system will be proposed by Labour at the end of the month.

A former Tory Cabinet minister joined critics and said that the Lottery had turned from a vote winner into a vote loser for the Government.

The top prize has been "rolled over" for a second week after nobody picked Saturday's winning numbers. The dispute intensified as it emerged that Labour's heritage team is engaged in a comprehensive review which may lead to a party pledge to install a non-profit operator when Camelot's seven-year contract expires. A senior Labour party source said: The central issue is whether the Lottery should be profitmaking. There is concern over the size of Camelot's profits."

When Camelot was awarded the licence, it projected it would not make a profit for bury urged people to add making time for God to their new year's resolutions. Dr George Carey said that there was now a "real spiritual yearning" but "if we want to discover the answers we are searching for, we need to make time to pray and to seek the Lord to spend time with".

however, it announced £23.6 million post-tax profit for 24 weeks to September 16. Labour MPs said the figure was excessive. Ministers in turn accused the Opposition of

being the enemy of profit.

The Labour review is also examining the distribution of money to needy causes, the role of Peter Davis, the regulator, and whether there should

be a ceiling on prizes.

The Bishop of Wakefield, the Right Rev Nigel Mc-Culloch, said that next week's record jackpot was obscene. "It can totally destroy lives and bring misery. Prizes of this size are not necessary and

National Lottery began. Lord St John of Fawsley, a former arts minister and chairman of the Royal Fine Art Commission, said: "Only this country could turn what could be a great national asset into a continuing and embarrassing disaster. There must be a root and branch review of all aspects of the Lottery.
"Is £1 million not enough?

encourages people to gamble beyond their means." He

urged an all-party commis-

sion to examine the effects of

The Bishop of Worcester, the Right Rev Philip Good-rich, said: "The E33 million

prize is grotesque. It is a great

pity that the Lottery has

become such a central feature

of everyday life. Generally, we

are putting too much money

into private pockets when we

should be doing more for

The Rev Bill Wallace, con-

vener of the Church of Scot-land's Board of Social Res-

ponsibility, said: "It is appealing to people's greed and we don't think it's the sort

of thing government and big business should be involved

in." The Church of Scotland is

opposed to the Lottery on

principle and its ruling gener-

al assembly has decided not to

Gambiers' Anonymous said yesterday that it has

received 17.5 per cent more

calls for assistance since the

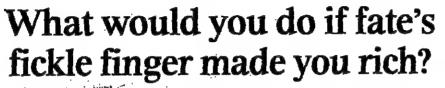
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apply for funds.

the Lottery

We are worshipping the gold-en calf. The National Lottery has become an extraordinary liability for the Government."

Millions of extra tickets are expected to be sold for the Lottery this week. If there is no winner on Saturday, there can be one further "roll over" before the prize is distributed to the next level of winners.



Bishop McCulloch: "It can totally destroy lives and bring misery. People gamble beyond their means"

By Andrew Pierce

THE winner of the estimated £33 million jackpot will be financial advisers by Camelot ed by the unscruptions

If one person wins, by the time the following week's jackpot is drawn he or she will have accrued £45,486 in interest in a building society. Richard Branson, who was

thwarted in his attempt to run the Lottery, could provide a 40-year holiday on Necker, his Caribbean island, where

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Royal Yacht Britannia, and comfortably within the £33 million price range, or the winner could book into the finest suite in London's Ritz

Hotel for the next 100 years. The jackpot would enable the winner to buy 300 top-ofthe range Rolls-Royce Silver Spirits which cost a mere £112,000 before a discount has been negotiated for buying in bulk. Or the car enthusis could bid for the world's most expensive motor vehicle, a vintage Bugatti Royale, which

the weekly rent is £15,000. The is expected to fetch £13 million later this year.
Football fans could start

their own team. However, the £33 million would be enough to run top-of-the-table

Winners who were security conscious could invest in the ultimate deterrent a squadron of Challenger tanks, a couple of Tornado fighters, or fully armed battalion.

The £33 million would also provide 2,000 teaching posts for 12 months or three new secondary schools.

Father pleads at murder scene: 'Find this killer'

Celine police examine nine deaths

By STEPHEN FARRELL AND STEWART TENDLER THE UNITERETT

THE father of Celine Figard. the murdered French hitchhiker, travelled to Worcester to see his daughter's body yesterday, as police declared day that they may be hunting

a serial killer. Bernard Figard, wearing a maroon anorak, placed three bunches of chrysanthemums. freesias and laurels in a vellow plastic container attached to the fence beneath which his daughter's body was discovered by a motorist.

The 46-year-old farmer quiet-ly walked back towards Hagley Wood, lifted his camera and took a photograph of the scene. Police officers stood back to allow him several minutes alone.

Then, speaking through a police interpreter, M Figard appealed for help from the public to trace the killer. Celine came to this country because she likes England and she likes the people here." he said. "Everyone who can help catch her killer must. I urge anyone who knows anything to talk to the police so we can find this person."

M Figard was driven away The family plans to take her body back to France, but no date has been fixed for her

West Mercia police, who took over the investigation after the discovery of Mile Figard's body on Friday, believe she may have been the victim of a serial killer. They are looking at possible links to the murders of nine women dating from the late 1980s.

Detective Chief Superintendent John McCammont, who is leading the murder hunt, said yesterday that his team was in particular studying the files on Tracey Turner, whose body was found in March 1994 in junction of the MI and M6. Police have been struck by the fact that both Mile Figard and Miss Turner were last seen alive at service stations.

Mr McCammont, head of West Mercia CID, told a press conference: "There are several cases around the country that are well known and have been reported where naked women have been found adjacent to major roads or country lanes with similar injuries to those of

Celine." He added: "Those are things we will be looking at and we will be in contact with other investigating officers from other forces and indeed from this force to see if there are any similarities. But at the moment there is nothing definite to link it to any other

Mr McCammont added



Bernard Figard taking flowers to the spot where Celine's body was found

that Mile Figard, 19, had been last seen on December 19 kept alive after her abduction. "She could have been killed straight away," he said. Police do not know how long the body lay unnoticed, but want to talk to motorists or walkers in the area last Thursday, the day before she was found.

Mile Figard, an accountancy student from Ferrières-les-

that there was no evidence Scey, southeast of Paris, was after she boarded a lorry at the M4 service station at Chieveley, Berkshire. The driver promised to drop her off in Hampshire, where she was due to spend Christmas a relative at Fordingbridge. Her body was found dumped by a lay-by on the A449 not far from the M5 on Friday,

In March Turner's body was lound in a ditch at Bitteswell, Leicestershire. A prostitute, she was last seen alive looking for clients at a service station on

the M6 at Hilton Park. Earlier this month detectives from West Mercia and eight other forces met to discuss possible links be-

tween the Turner case and eight other murders involving prostitutes or women who may have been mistaken for

They date from 1987 and cover Lancashire, London, the Midlands, East Anglia and the West Country, Police decided there were no clear links but could not rule out a connection. Some involved strangulation and others had been beaten to death and in a number of cases the bodies were left near motorways.

in the case of Jane Clayton. 27, a member of a religious commune, police believe she may have been mistaken for a prostitute. She was dumped in a ditch at Coleby, Lincolnshire, in July 1994.

The investigation into Mile Figard's death is concentrat-ing on tracing the lorry driver who picked her up in his white Mercedes truck with grey Thermo-King refrigerated trailer around 5.10pm on December 19. When she was found she had been beaten around the head and throttled. There was no sign of her clothes, nor a suitcase and rucksack she was carrying. A post-mortem examination showed no evidence of sexual

The investigation will now focus on two aspects: witnesses at the scene and tracing the driver. He was described as white, aged 30 to 35, with short fair hair, a cropped chinstrap" beard and wearing a grey sweatshirt and

pullover, possibly a uniform. "Whether or not he is Celine's killer is not known. He may just have picked her up and then dropped her off," Mr McCammont said. Checks with the DVLA in Swansea showed 1,200 such vehicles registered in Britain. ☐ Police searching for Louise Smith, the 18-year-old who vanished a week ago, were questioning partygoers arriv-ing for new year celebrations last night at the club where she was last seen a week ago.

More than a dozen officers were due to be outside the Spirals Club until early today in an appeal for more help in finding her. Police prepared leaflets to hand out to people leaving and arriving which show a photograph of Miss Smith and details of her dis-

appearance. Inspector Peter Rowe, of Avon and Somerset police. said yesterday that police were hoping for one vital bit of information from a memhelp to find her. He said police were still hoping to find her and return her to her family safe and well.

Miss Smith, of Chipping Sodbury, was last seen shortly after leaving the nightclub in Yate on Christmas morning.

Priest links robe to Catherine of Aragon



The parish priest's robe with decoration believed to have been done by Henry VIII's first wife

By DALYA ALBERGE

SHROPSHIRE parish priest believes that his church robe carries a 450-year-old design embroidered by Catherine of Aragon, the first wife of Henry VIII.

Legend linked the robe to Catherine, who was an expert needlewoman. Father Paul Sidoli, the Ludlow and Cleobury Mortimer parish priest, spent a year researching the connection. Before then, historians could date it to the early 16th century only on

stylistic grounds. However, Father Sidoli has become convinced that the robe bears Catherine's handiwork: its imagery includes eight pomegranites, the heraldic symbol of Granada in southern Spain, where Catherine was born. But he found that in the published text of her will Catherine stipulated that cloth from her garments used by priests for

worshipping. Father Sidoli said: "One will simply never come across



Catherine: her will gives

a document that confirms an artefact is 100 per cent what it appears to be. But the evidence points to this being a genuine article."

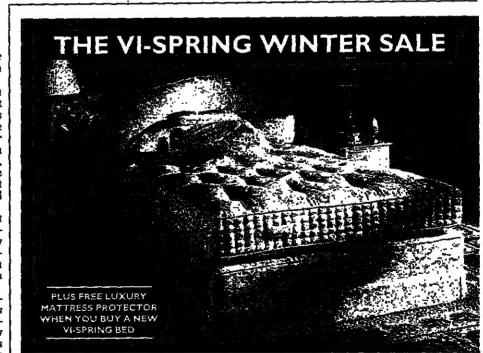
Queen Mary, Henry's ighter by Catherine, enlisted the help of aristocratic Catholic families to protect the garment during the Reformation. It was held for hundreds of years at family seats in

and bequeathed to the parish in 1958 by Sir Walter Blount. It was on loan to the Victoria

and Albert Museum until last year, when Father Sidoli was asked to verify that the robe belonged to his parish for insurance purposes. When Father Sidoli asked to see it, the museum offered to donate it back to the church, as it already had embroidered work from the same period. The garment is now kept locked away at a secret loca-

tion. Previously it was seen by parishioners only on rare occasions, such as the fiftieth anniversary relebrations of a former priest. David Lloyd, a local histori-

an and author of several books on Ludlow, said: The findings remind us just how important these little pockets of Roman Catholicism were in outlying areas such as Shropshire. As I understand it, this is why the gown has survived. It also reminds us how important Ludlow was. It virtually the capital of Wales. That's why Catherine came."



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Tips - but no cures - for the hangover blues

By NIGEL HAWKES SCIENCE EDITOR

FEELING rough? Wondering how to cure that dry mouth and throbbing head? Well, please don't ask your doctor.

All over the country people are suffering what scientists call "a nutritionally self-induced type of cerebral malfunction" -- to the rest of us, a hangover. But the secret of the hangover cure is that there isn't one.

Some Scots swear by Irn-Bru, a fizzy orange drink deemed to have nearmagical powers. Russians simply open another bottle of vodka and begin again. In reality nothing works better than Alka Seitzer. Secretly, many doctors are delighted by this, because if it wasn't for bangovers lots more people would become alcoholics.

The Consumers' Association magazine, Which?, carried out tests on commercial hangover remedies and found that they would relieve the symptoms, but no more effectively or eaply than two paracetamol in a glass of water. Most of the remedies consist of a painkiller plus bicarbonate to settle the stomach, together with

other minor ingredients. The basic cause of hangovers is dehydration. Alcohol is a diuretic, so an evening's drinking paradoxically leaves the body short of fluids. The result is to cause the blood vessels leading to the brain to dilate, increasing pressure and causing the splitting head. Drinking at least a pint of water before going to bed is a good idea. The fact that the body is dehydrated explains why the "hair of the dog" can relieve the symptoms, just by adding fluid, but it is unlikely to be any more effective than water.

Food before drinking cuts blood alcohol levels by up to 40 per cent, with a consequent diminution of the hangover. Milk and yoghurt are also reckoned to be good absorbers. Given a choice of drinks, the less violent their colour the better. Worst of all is port.

There is some justification for taking vitamins, to replace those washed away the night before. Fruit. fruit juice and vitamins B and C in plentiful amounts can do no harm. Since alcohol irritates the lining of the

stomach, something to settle that should help, which brings us back to Alka Seltzer or its kindred. Sweet drinks can help to stabilise bloodsugar levels and resione energy, which may be the secret of Irn-Bru. A couple of years ago the American

company CompuMed promised an elixir called SoberGain. It worked by lining the intestine with extra supplies of the enzyme that breaks down alcohol, and promised to sober you up

much more quickly.

So far, SoberGain has yet to hit the shelves, though research continues. But even if it works, it isn't really the answer. Those who celebrate New Year's Eve don't want to be sober, but simply to drink and not to count the

Girls reluctant to make a lifelong commitment may soon be able to take up short-term vocations

Decline in novices threatens future of religious orders

monks in England and Wales has fallen by a third in a decade, according to the latest figures. The current rate of decline could threaten the existence of some of the 300 active and contemplative religious orders, many of which send missionaries all over the

Sister Ethel Normoyle, the Irish nun who was compared to Mother Teresa by the Queen in her Christmas Day broadcast, is one of a declining number of men and women in religious orders in western Europe. While vocations in Africa and Asian are growing in popularity, the number of Roman Catholic nuns and monks in England and Wales has fallen from 15,000 to 10,000 in the past ten years. However, the heads of some orders are predicting a change in the form and nature of

vocations, with young members joining for short periods rather than for life.

They say youngsters still want to work with the poor and disadvantaged, or devote themselves to prayer, but many want also to marry and have children. People are living much longer and many are afraid of entering the religious life at a young

age. Religious orders might

have to adapt and accept

short-term vocations if they

are to survive. Sister Ethel's order, the Little Company of Mary, saw its last novice in England become a full member three years ago. In the same year two left without completing their novitiate.

Numbers have halved to about 500 within one generation, according to Sister Dymphna Murphy, a former Provincial. But she said the

statistics did not concern her. "God has it in his care. We need not worry. I am sure something will turn around. God is there all the time."

She believes the problem lies in an inability to make long-term commitments. "It is similar in family life and with marriage. It really is a sign of the times. She said: "I am sure there is

future for religious orders, but I would imagine vocations will be temporary and not lifelong. We do get girls who want to work on missions in Africa and Haiti for two years. They give themselves to God for this time, then come back, settle down and marry. I think that is the future for religious life and it does not matter. It is whatever God wants."

Britain's biggest female reli-gious order, the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul, based at Mill Hill in north



Nuns at Britain's biggest religious order, the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul, in London, which has seen a big fall in novices

London, has also seen a de-cline in vocations. On Thursday, the Provincial, Sister Margarer Barrett, will go with a team of three to Cairo to set up a mission to help some of the 28,000 Sudanese refugees. The English province has a mission in Sierra Leone and a

home in Romania for children with Aids.

Sister Margaret said: "It is harder for people to make long-term commitments today, but young people are wonderful. We work with many, many young people in

They are ready to let go of their comforts and go off and serve others."

The order, which has 27,000 sisters worldwide, has 380 based in 47 communities in Britain. Vocations are increasing in Africa and Asia, but are falling in Britain and throughout western Europe, with just two at Mill Hill this year and about seven in the past 20

Sister Gabriel Robin, general secretary-of the Conference of the Religious, said that earlier this century and in the last century it was often diffi-

cult for women to travel abroad to do good works. whether in development, education or social work, without joining a religious order. Now there were many other opportunities, such as with the increasing numbers of chari-table organisations.

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Gulf commander says MoD put pilots' lives at risk

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

GENERAL Sir Peter de la the British force attached to Billière, Britain's commander in the Gulf War, accuses the Ministry of Defence of "disgraceful interference" during the conflict in a documentary marking its fifth anniversary.

Sir Peter is outspoken in his criticism over the safety of RAF Tornado pilots ordered to fly low-level raids on Iraqi air bases. He wanted the raids to be halted because of the high number of casualties suffered in the early missions. But the MoD at first refused.

Interviewed for a four-part BBC documentary, The Gulf War, beginning on January 7. Sir Peter says the MoD would not change tactics because "it would impact on RAF strategy developed for Europe". He adds: To suggest the low-level attack technique should go on is a load of absolute rubbish. though one particular senior officer in the MoD was sug-

gesting this.
"I violently disagreed with him and I feel extremely resentful about the authoritarian way he tried to impose his view over that of the commanders in the field." He describes the move by the senior RAF officer as disgraceful interference, but did not name the officer.

In his book on the Gulf War, Storm Command, published in 1992, Sir Peter admitted that the proposals from London for the raids caused consternation and that it was clearly not worth risking aircraft and lives on low-level missions when the Iraqi sir force had stopped flying.
In the BBC documentary.

Sir Peter also explains further why he was reluctant to have the US Marines, who were to attack the Iraqis from the front to retake Kuwait City. He persuaded General Norman Schwarzkopf, the American commander, to let the British division switch to the US VII Corps, which led the decisive left-hook sweep into southern Iraq to cut off the Iraqi Republican Guards.

In the documentary, he says: "To be perfectly honest, I didn't think we should be losing a lot of British lives. We were there to support a friendly nation and protect their borders. I wasn't prepared to lead a force with monumental casualties and victory at the

end of the day.

To have gone ahead committing a British division with the US Marines ... would have meant unnecessary casualties. If I'd agreed, I wouldn't have been doing my job and should have been removed from command."



Sir Peter: saw no point in a high casualty toll

Times goes live on the Internet

By NICK NUTTALL, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

THE TIMES adds another important chapter to its 211-year history today with the publication of an Internet worldwide. For the price of a local telephone call, anyone with a personal computer and a modem will be able to read the newspaper from their offices, hotels or homes.

The newspaper can be read on computer at around 2.30 am, at the same time as the printed version is being produced. For overseas readers this will mean considerable advantages: it makes The Times an afternoon newspaper on the West Coast of America, and as far afield as Australia it will in effect arrive a day before the printed

The project has advantages over other newspapers with electronic versions on the Internet, in which the edition is edited or rewritten. The Times will be the same as the edition available from

newsagents. The words on the screen will be the same as those appearing in the newspaper. Only the medium and the design will be different All sections of the weekday paper will be available on screen. Within weeks, it is planned

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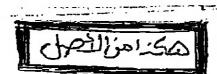
that readers will be able to

will be an entirely new service in the long tradition of innovation that has marked the development of The Times. from its pioneering use of steam to power the presses to its journalists being among the first to file their copy by telegraph and wireless. There will be an interactive

section of The Times unique to the internet, which will enable readers to reply to and place advertisements and receive updates of news items which have already been published. In the near future, readers on the Internet will also be able to search through back issues and make use of the Times database, which is

our comprehensive archive. To read the daily Times over the Internet, readers will need to sign up with a service provider, which costs about the same as a mobile telephone. PC owners can then access the edition by typing http://www.the-times.co.uk

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'Racier' Archers plough on into their 46th year

THE agricultural paraphernalia has changed from the days when the fields of Ambridge were ploughed by shire horses. But the storylines are as gripping today as they were 45 years ago when The Archers was first broadcast on New Year's Day.

in the opening episode. Phil Archer, then a young farmer, was discovered smoothing in a car with Grace. The couple were not even engaged. Swearing, including the word 'damned", was commonplace in 1951 and attracted not a single letter from listeners to the Home Service. Yet, if a character goes beyond "Good-ness me" in 1995, sackloads of complaining letters are received at the programme's offices in the BBC's Pebble Mill studios. The series will begin the

new year today by focusing on the problems faced by the "brat pack", a new generation of teenagers led by the rebellious Kate Aldridge. Tonight's episode will end with a diffhanger over the fate of Kate, who in the past has experimented with drugs and run off with New Age travellers. Kare, 17, played by Kellie Bright, dives into a deep depression after being sacked

from her job and declares that



Faces of the fictional brat pack: from left, John Archer, Hayley Jordan, Roy Tucker and Kate Aldridge

she is going to celebrate until she drops. Vanessa Whitburn, the programme's editor, said that the trademark twist in the plot was designed to illustrate some of the harsh realities faced by young people in a world of rapidly changing social values, where hard drugs were becoming com-

ment further on tonight's Brookside, said: "The Archers episode.
Unlike television soap operas, The Archers has tradinow has a generation of racier oung people, a brat pack -Kate, Roy Tucker, John Archer and Hayley Jordan. The programme has a younger tionally kept its storylines secret. As an added precaution, scripts for tonight's epilistenership than the average sode were shredded after it for Radio 4, but the brat pack was recorded. Ms Whitburn, is not just there to appeal to young listeners. They are who formerly worked on the 4 soap opera there to reflect what is going

on in the real world. I believe we have been able to introduce them without the programme losing its charm or humour." The latest developments are

a far cry from The Archers' early days as a post-war rural drama designed to inform farmers about modern agri-cultural developments. When it began, the two Archers' shire horses, Blossom and Boxer, still worked on the farm and the entire village would pitch in with the

havmaking. Nowadays the farms are heavily mechanised. The programme lost its educational purpose in the early 1970s but still prides itself on the quality of its research and the accuracy of its reflections of rural lile. Norman Painting, 71, who has played Phil Archer since the first episode in 1951, said: "If the programme had allowed itself to get all cosy, it would have been finished years ago. Our job has always been to reflect life as it is.

Nothing has changed except life itself." The only other surviving character from the first episode is Christine, Phil's sister. In 1951, she was working as an assistant in Borchester

Two other surviving characters appeared in the first year. Peggy Woolley, played by June Spencer, was originally married to Phil Archer's brother John (known as Jack). Her first husband died and she later married Jack Woolley. She first appeared in mid-January 1951. Tom Forrest, Doris Archer's brother, played by Bob Arnold, made his first appearance in the programme

ANNIVERSARY GUIDE TO AMBRIDGE

The Archers is Britain's longest-running drama serial. Launched on January I, 1951, Nearly 12,000 episodes have been broadcast.

The theme tune was not specially written for the programme. It is called Barwick Green and comes from the suite My Native Heath, by the Yorkshire composer

Arthur Wood ■ Charles Collingwood, who plays Brian Aldridge, is married to Judy Bennett, who plays Shula Hebden. Real people who have played themselves in the series include the Duke of Westminster, Terry Wogan, Anneka

Rice, Dame Edna Everage and Britt Eckland Princess Margaret played herself in the 8.715th episode in 1984, when she visited an Ambridge fashion show held to

raise funds for the NSPCC. The Earl of Lichfield, cousin to the Queen, took the pictures at the 1985 wedding of Shula Archer and solicitor

Mark Hebden. Susan Carter became the first Ambridge woman to be sent to jail when she was sentenced on December 23, 1993, to serve six months for barbouring her brother after an armed robbery. Listeners formed a "Free the Ambridge One" campaign and appealed to the Home Secretary for

The oldest actor in the history of the programme was Chriss Gittins, who was 86 when he recorded his last episode as Walter Gabriel.

There are 175 characters in the Archers, but only about seven appear in each episode. Four weeks of programmes are recorded in six days every month.

The most famous death in The Archers was when Grace Archer died after trying to rescue a horse from a barn fire on September 22, 1955. It was said that the BBC did it to spoil the launch of ITV that night.

Phillip Molloy, who plays William Grundy, is the real-life son of Terry Molloy, who plays Mike Tucker.

Lucy Davis, who plays Hayley Jordon, is the daughter of

the comedian Jasper Carrott.

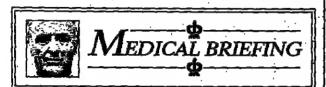
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Good health to year of advance in medicines



Dr Thomas Stuttaford

LAST year was not a revolutionary one for the introduction of medicines but it did see steady advances, particularly in the treatment of conditions that affect the daily life of hundreds of thousands

of people. The success of the Chief Medical Officer's campaign for mass vaccination again measles, reducing the death and long-term disease that used to accompany epidemics, will make the year memorable: as will the dramatic cases of Hib meningitis after the establishment of injections against it.

Reliable vaccination against the principal cause of bacterial meningitis in this country, meningococcus group B, is awaited but the pharmaceutical industry is spending millions of pounds researching this, and immunologists are attempting to unravel the mystery as to why such a frequent marauder in our throats and noses occasionally wreaks such sudden,

terrible destruction. Although the introduction of the new generation of antidepressants, the 5HT reuptake inhibitors such as Prozac or Seroxat, has not had much influence on the constant danger of suicide in depressed patients it has reduced the side effects which an already gloomy patient is asked to tolerate.

The treatment of heart failure and high blood pressure continues to benefit from increased use of the ACE inhibitors. The hypertensive agent Cozaar, which is an angiotensin antagonist, rather than inhibitor, has been marketed this year, unlike the existing ACE inhibitors it does not cause a troublesome chronic

cough.
One event which is as certain in the human lifecycle as death is that all women

menopause. The dangers of cardiovascular disease, loss of bone density, disease to gums and genital stroomy need, when there are no contraindications, pharmaceutical relief. Fosamax is a nonoestrogenic treatment introduced last year to treat osteoporosis in those women who cannot take the usual forms of HRT. It effectively strengthens all bones.

Standard HRT has improved too. Tridestra, the three monthly HRT menstrual-type symptoms only four times a year, has become established and a new drug Kliofem is now marketed which provides contreatment; it is suitable for women over 54 or for those who have had no periods for a

Perhans the most useful introduction to the HRT market is the Menorest patch in which the hormones are inreservoir. The advantage is that as the new patch does not contain alcohol it will not cause skin irritation. After a few weeks of treatment of the older type of patches many women's buttocks were studded with the fading areas of

Treatment of infections conhave been introduced that supplement those already available against HIV, and Wellvone is now available for pneumonia caused by pneumocytis which frequently complicates Aids. A value to a great many more patients is improved treatment against herpes, Valtrex, and Lomenix against thrush.

Last year saw preparations against various cancers taxotere (Tocetaxel) for advanced cancer of the breast and De Capeptyl for late can-

Safer painkiller should cut deaths

BY JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

A SAFER brand of the common painkiller paracetamol, which could save hundreds of deaths from liver failure, is to be launched this month.

The "new" formulation was invented more than 20 years ago, but has never been sold widely. In the same time there have been more than 2,000 deaths from paracetamol

Although standard paracetamol is safe at the correct dose - a maximum of eight 500mg tablets in 24 hours — it is more dangerous than many other drugs in overdose. A single dose of 15 tablets requires a person to have their stomach pumped.

About 150 deaths and 30,000 admissions are caused each year by para-

cetamol poisoning. Most cases are attempted suicides, but accidental poisonings also

The new safe paracetamol, called Paradote, is expected to be in chemists' shops this month. The tablets sell for about the same price as branded paracetamol. Roger Jones, managing di-

rector of Penn Pharmaceuticals, the company making the new product, said he had decided to sell it after talking to NHS poison units around the country. The technology to save people from paracetamol poisoning has been available since the 1970s. But the companies selling paracetamol hoped it would die a death and people would forget



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Public faces and political secrets of 1965, the first full year of the Labour Government

When the gallows came down and hemlines kept going up



The new faces of power: Harod Wilson and his Chancellor of the Exchequer, James Callaghan

IT WAS the first full year of Labour government for 15 years. Churchill died, hangng was ended, and the "permissive society" was thought to be in full swing. Secret Cabinet papers from

today under the 30-year rule, focussing attention on a year that bridged two ages. Mods and Rockers were still fighting on Britain's seafronts: 56 were arrested in Brighton at Easter. But pop culture was moving into a new phase: Bob Dylan was going electric and the Beatles, whose album Help! was on sale at 12s 6d. moked marijuana in the lavatories at the Palace before picking up their MBEs. The raitor Kim Philby had his OBE cancelled by the Queen. Jean Shrimpton caused consternation at the Mel-

and courageous policy in

The Cabinet papers show a

He continued: "You will

bourne races with the short-



ness of her mini-dress. The new fashion caused British customs officers to redefine tax-free children's clothes. Previous exemption had been determined by hem-length: the mini meant it was now to be determined by bust-size. Mary Whitehouse

launched her first campaign to combat "BBC had taste and irresponsibility". An opinion poll showed that 94 per cent of the country belonged to a church and 98 per cent believed in God. The first woman High

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Court judge. Elizabeth Lane.

got married, with good-luck sages wishes from Barbara Windsor and Judy Garland among others. Ian Brady and Myra Hindley were arrested for the Moors murders.

Cigarette advertising was abolished on television. The first all-digit telehone num-

London.

knocked out Sonny Liston

son's "white heat" of technol-

ogy. Concorde was given the go-ahead and the 620ft Post

Office tower, then Britain's tallest building, opened in

finest hour, West Ham United won the European Cup Winners' Cup. The first substitute was allowed in League football: Keith Peacock of Charlton Athletic. The South African cricket team toured England — the last tests between the two countries for 29 years — and John Edrich hit 310 against New Zealand. Package holidays were starting to take off, and two weeks on the Costa del Sol cost £66 16s. The average

British house cost only £3,660. A pint of bitter was is 9d. Away from the escalating

war in Vietnam and UDI in Rhodesia, the nation was entertained by the exploits of Goldie, the golden eagle, who escaped from London 200 not once but twice, causing traffic jams of well-wishers and sightseers in Regent's Park.

Prime Minister had to balance private support for Johnson with appearing the Left

Wilson wanted to send troops to back US in Indo-China

HAROLD WILSON would have liked to have committed British troops to support the American military action in Vietnam, he told President Johnson. But by the autumn of 1965 concern about British public reaction was so strong that the Government commissioned an unprecedented secret poll among felite opinion formers"

A private telegram to the President, dated August 1965. shows that Wilson went further in his support for the American action than he ever admitted. Publicly, the Prime Minister maintained a balancing act between support for an ally and appeasing the anti-American views of the Labour

telegram: "I can see no alter- feasibility of doing something native to your policy of to make still more manifest strengthening your forces in our support for your patient

A CONTINGENCY plan to reimpose direct rule on Rhodesia was proposed by

Harold Wilson at the end of

December, six weeks after

lan Smith had illegally

Although Britain had

formally dismissed the idea

of sending troops to Rhode-

sia, Wilson wrote to Arthur

Bottomley, the Common-

wealth Secretary, suggest-

ing that a strategy "to reassume responsibility for

the territory" should be

drawn up as a matter of

urgency. Wilson wrote that

the plan needed to address

three central questions. These included emergency

measures to restore the

economy and how to staff

and equip a Rhodesian

governor "to operate an

interim system of direct

"How shall we make sure

of the lovalty of the armed

forces, police and essential

public services and to what

extent shall we have to be

ready to provide manpower

The implication that Brit-

ish troops might be dis-

patched was in contra-diction of a secret briefing

that Denis Healey, the De-

fence Minister, had given Jo Grimond, the Liberal

leader, on November II, the

day Smith announced a

unilateral declaration of in-

A Ministry of Defence

memorandum shows that

Grimond had taken a belli-

cose view, suggesting that

aircraft should wipe out the

Rhodesian air force and Britain should make a

quick meal of the relatively

small Rhodesian forces

Healey set out a series of

strategic difficulties, includ-

ing pre-emptive action by Rhodesia against Zambia.

without going into the

psychological problems of setting British troops against Rhodesian troops

lengths to which Wilson

was prepared to go in an

Other papers show the

for this purpose?"

But Wilson then asked:

declared independence.

VIETNAM

order to demonstrate to Hanoi the futility of their dreams of military victory." He said his objective was to show "our solidarity with you" and he assured Johnson that the British Government was "determined to persevere in their support for American policies". The President expressed his appreciation for British

wish there was more we could

peacekeeping has already overstretched our resources." He then told Johnson: "I

attempt to pull Smith back

from the brink. In October

1965 he gagged all minis-ters, including Michael

Stewart, the Foreign Secre-

tary, from commenting

about Rhodesia after Smith

had objected to a statement

made by Stewart in the

United States, in which he

accused the Rhodesians of

"wishing to perpetuate white domination".

prevent UDI is evident

even in the last telephone

call he had with Smith on

of Britain in 1939, while

Wilson played the "red" card. He told Smith that, if

he declared UDI, the Soviet

Union and China "would

be under strong temptation to intervene in Rhodesia".

Wilson said it was a probability that there would be a terrible conflict

Wilson's desperation to

Plan to restore direct rule in wake of UDI RHODESIA

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November 11. Smith told Wilson: "We are further apart and not closer togeth-Wilson replied: "Oh. that isn't true, you know. This really isn't so." Three hours later UDI was Papers also reveal the full nastiness of some of the final exchanges between despair and exhaustion of the British Prime Minister. Smith continually likened Rhodesia's position to that

The "substantial support" he was in Washington, Wilson received a telegram from 68 the United States should immediately cease its bombing of North Vietnam.

and bloodshed". In fact, on the same day, Wilson had sent a telegram to Stewart Washington, saying: "We do not think that the Russians would wish to make any attempt to In a series of candid and often moving telegrams to President Johnson about the crisis. Wilson described his visit to Salisbury: "It was an exhausting and in many ways a depressing week, depressing because so many people have their minds in blinkers and they are wrapped up in a cocoon of self-delusion."

growing concern with public opinion over British support for the Americans. In March, Wilson sent a telegram to Michael Stewart, the Foreign Secretary, who was in Washington. The Labour Left was opposed to the military buildup and, with a small Commons majority, Wilson was anxious to avoid trouble. He support.
The telegram continued: "I told Stewart that the Americans "should be left in no

doubt about the strength of do to help you, but I need not feeling here and about the remind you how far our contribution to international difficulties we are facing. There is a danger of widespread anti-Americanism." realise that the American decibe non-lethal, coming on top of the use of napalm, has greatly aggravated the con-

cern felt here in Parliament and indeed more widely."

At the same time Wilson dispatched Patrick Gordon Walker, the former Foreign Secretary, on a fact-finding mission to South-East Asia. His report to the Prime Minister also recognised the need to placate public opinion. Gordon Walker concluded: "We should search for a policy which, while backing America loyally, allows us a certain more apparent independence

September concern about public support for British policy was such that the Foreign Office wrote to Wilson saying that opposition was "by no means confined to communists, fellow travellers and professional anti-Americans". The Foreign Office asked permission to conduct what it described as "an innovation": a poll of "elite opinion, rather than the public". Wilson agreed to a suggestion that the poll should be kept secret and those interviewed were not to know who was sponsor-

ing the research. By the end of the year Mark Abrams, head of Research Services, which had carried out the poll, was able to reassure Wilson before he flew to Washington on December 16. Abrams summarised his findings in a letter to the Prime Minister in three key points: there was "substantial support" for British policy: European policy was regarded as "more important" than the Far East; and there was "no faith" in any action by the

did not extend as far as the Labour back benches. While Labour MPs demanding that



gratitude for support



Dusty Springfield in Johannesburg in December 1964, expelled for performing before a multiracial audience

Foreign Office blocked apartheid protest over singer's expulsion

SOUTH AFRICA

THE Prime Minister wanted Britain to protest to South Africa over the expulsion of Dusty Springfield for singing to multiracial audiences, but was overruled by the Foreign

Shortly afterwards the singer Adam Faith also left South Africa in controversy after refusing to perform before segregated audiences, Whitehall once again washed its hands. Both singers had only themselves to blame, the Foreign Office told Downing Street in a confidential memorandum.

Dusty Springfield, who topped the charts in the mid-Sixties with songs such as I Only Want To Be With You and You Don't Have To Say You Love Me, was deported with her band The Echoes after performing before a multiracial audience in Cape Town in December 1964. Her manager had said they

were presented with an "ultimatum" soon after arriving in South Africa, warning that they must not perform in front of multiracial audiences. This was contrary to her contract. which made clear that she would not appear in segregat-

ed venues, he said. The manager maintained it was only because of this proviso that he had taken the group to South Africa in defiance of a Musicians' Union ban on artists appearing there. Wilson saw the telegram from British officials in Pretoria and wrote across it "Are we protesting?" Downing Street officials then wrote to the Foreign Office seeking action.

The hasty scribble in pencil was typical of Wilson's determination to get involved in every aspect of public life, particularly in the early years after Labour's election victory



was not arrested and on a strictly legal view the South Africans appear to have acted within their rights".

A Labour Prime Minister's abhorrence of apartheid counted for little in the face of diplomatic adherence to the

Faith: refused to appear for whites-only audience

replied: "Miss Springfield

1965 Adam Faith was sued for breach of contract by a Cape Town theatre manager when he refused to appear before a whites-only audience. Faith's manager had appar-

ently signed a contract saying the singer would not perform to multiracial audiences. The singer was allowed to leave the country only after a bond was offered to cover the suit against him. The Foreign Office concluded that trouble was bound to

ensue "if artists embark on foreign tours without first ensuring that the arrangements comply both to the requirements of local law and custom". Such an oversight did "not provide grounds for government intervention on their behalf.

One official blamed the media and wrote to the Downing Street office: "These two got into trouble as a result of statements published in the press which made an issue of

Banknote plot to catch fugitives

GREAT TRAIN ROBBERY

THE Government proposed preventing the great train robbers from enjoying their ing all banknotes from circulation in 1965.

Under Harold Wilson's plan, bank customers would have been asked to surrender their old money for notes with a new design, leaving those robbers still at liberty holding worthless pieces of paper. But the Treasury and the Bank of England dismissed the scheme as impractical.

Mr Wilson first aired the

idea in the summer of 1965, almost two years after the Great Train Robbers escaped with sacks of mail containing more than 5212 million in banknotes. The Treasury was asked to provide costings but James Callaghan, the Chancellor, never shared Mr Wilson's enthusiasm for the idea. But in July 1965 Mr Wilson

scheme, that all notes not bearing the signature of the current chief cashier at the Bank of England be made

proposed a second, modified

rejected the scheme and the Treasury also argued that to declare the notes illegal without warning would be too great an inconvenience for the public. To give a warning would be to render the exercise

Wilson still refused to let

drop what by now had all the makings of an obsession. In November 1965 he raised the idea again with Callaghan, telling his Chancellor: "It would be possible, administratively, to ensure that those who have no trust in banks, and therefore keep their savings in stockings or under the mattress, would be able to convert them into legal tender on application at a bank. men and other tax evaders, together with the train robbers, would find themselves

stuck with useless notes." Mr Callaghan was asked to reapply himself to the idea with more vigour but came back with the same arguments, plus the fresh claim that the Bank of England illegal tender. The bank again would find "detailed inquiry"



Three of the mail robbers leaving a court hearing and, below, the train from which £2.6m was stolen



of those seeking to cash the old notes "practically impossible". Even then Wilson had one last try. He demanded, and was furnished with, information on the dates of recent chief cashiers and the life-span of

the average banknote. But by December, with Rhodesia having declared UDI and the situation growing ever more grave in Vietnam, he appeared to have other things on his

Ministers rivals in rudeness

1965

James Callaghan and George Brown were in competition over many aspects of economic policy, including who could be the rudest about Lord Cromer. Governor of the Bank of England. Mr Cailaghan, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said Cromer was hellbent on creating a psychological atmosgovernment policy. Brown demanded that the governor be told that his speeches were "tedious and inappropriate".

Cuban alert

Britain's home defence plans were redrawn after the 1962 Cuban missile crisis so that the country could be in a state of readiness for war at two or three days' notice, instead of a week. A deadline of arrangements to be in

Breath test fear

Ministers feared that plans to introduce the breathadriving would prove highly unpopular. A Cabinet minute from October 1965 notes: "Public opinion was not necessarily convinced that the problem was sufficiently serious to warrant

measures of this kind."

No to gay law The Government decided it could not support legalising homosexual activities "in the foreseeable future". The Cabinet accepted the view of Sir Frank Soskicz. the Home Secretary, that the proper course was for the move to be the subject of a private member's Bill

Press gag

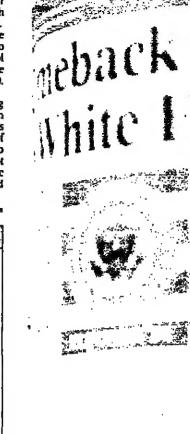
Downing Street told ministers' private offices to refuse facilities to Anthony Howard, a Sunday Times journalist, because of newspaper articles expos-ing policy divisions. Mr Howard, now an assistant editor of The Times, said yesterday: "It was a case of over reaction."

BBC ads call

Tony Benn urged the Government to consider allowing advertising on the BBC. Mr Benn, minister for broadcasting, said the BBC's deficit was increasing by £300,000 a week and that opening up the corporation to advertisements may be essential to avert a cash crisis.

Earlier release

Papers released under the "30-year rule" include a memorandum by Harold Wilson which led to ² change from papers being kept secret for 50 years, as was the case since 1958. ment documents under i00 years old were made available for public study.



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Card vote

A House of Commons Christmas card, with a scene showing Alexander III of Scotland paying homage to Edward I of England, annoyed Willie Ross, the Scottish Secretary. It was too late to change, but alternatives were offered from store to those who took exception.

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'Comeback Kid' resumes lead as White House race begins

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IN WASHINGTON

IT SEEMED inconceivable until recently, but America's presidential election year begins today with Bill Clinton the clear favourite to become only the third Democratic President to win re-election since the Civil War. The others were Woodrow Wilson and Franklin Roosevelt.

If Mr Clinton does win his final campaign of a lifetime spent running for office, this resilient politician will truly have earned his favourite title of the "Comeback Kid".

This time last year the Republicans were triumphantly hoisting their stan-dard on Capitol Hill for the first time in 40 years, having routed the Democrats in congressional elections that were seen as a massive repudiation of the President.

The media were predicting a new era of Republican dominance lasting well into the 21st century, Newt Gingrich was crowned America's de facto president, and the genuine article was left pathetically protesting his relevancy -- ' don't consider myself a titular head of state".

Mr Clinton's legislative pro-

end the US budget crisis at

noon yesterday on an optimis-

tic note. They agreed to recon-

vene tomorrow when aides said there could be a fairly

Meanwhile there were

hones that the US Senate, in a

rare Sunday session, would

vote to send 280,000 civil servants, laid off since Decem-

The long shutdown has

swift agreement.

Budget deal hopes rise

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton and Re- caused hardship to contrac-

third day of intensive talks to - ment and



ELECTION '96

showed that two-thirds of Democrats wanted to dump. him. There was speculation that party elders would ask him to step aside in 1996 and make way for Al Gore, the Vice-President. It was considered inevitable that he would be challenged for the Democratic nomination, and quite possibly he would be the first sitting President to be denied his party's nomination since Chester Arthur in 1884.

As it is, Mr Clinton now enjoys a double-digit lead over Robert Dole, his likely Republican opponent. He has amassed a \$36 million (£23 million) warchest. The economy is sound and the country at. ce. Above all, he has skilfully averted a debilitating challenge for the Democratic nomination, which means he

conserve his resources for the next three months as the Republicans batter each other in the primaries. No Democratic President since Roosevelt has enjoyed that luxury.

This election, the 53rd since George Washington became the first President in 1789, should have been the Republicans' for the taking. They have won five of the last seven, and in 1992 Mr Clinton squeaked home with just 43 per cent of the vote after Ross Perot split the opposition. The Republicans have, however, made themselves the underdogs.

In retrospect, Mr Gingrich's rise has been the President's salvation. The Speaker has not only proved to be an unlovable figure, but appears to have overestimated the mandate he and his fellow Republican revolutionaries received last year. That has let Mr Clinton

back into the game.

Moving sharply towards
the Right under the tutelage of
Dick Morris, his new political guru, the President has coopted the popular parts of the Republicans' programme shrinking government, cut-ting the deficit, devolving power - but has astutely taken stands whenever he believed the "revolution" was leaving

established himself as a bulwark against Republican "extremism". The Republicans may have won the battle of ideas, but the President has been winning public opinion. Mr Clinton's other big

break has been the unwillingness of almost every heavy weight Republican to spend a gruelling year seeking their party's nomination. The result is that Mr Clinton will in all probability be faced by a man whom James Carville, his 1992 campaign strategist, has described as a 72-year-old legislative mechanic". Mr Dole lacks vision and

enerates little excitement, but

is hard to see how he can fail to win the nomination in this, his third attempt. He has 21 of America's 31 state governors working for him, more than \$24 million to spend, and a huge poll lead over eight opponents who are all, as one of their number candidly admitted, "charismatically challenged". Neither Phil Gramm, the Texas senator, nor Lamar Alexander, the former Tennessee Governor, have managed to break from the pack and are now in danger of being eclipsed by Steve Forbes, a publishing

tycoon with no political experi-

Newt Gingrich, the Speaker, and President Clinton are due to hold more falks today to end the cash crisis

primary season, compressed into six weeks by California's unusually early contest, gives Mr Dole an added advantage as the best-known and bestfunded candidate, and in any case the Republicans, unlike the Democrats, almost always nominate their early frontrunner.

candidates have their first debate in los which traditionally

It is unlikely to be an inspiring election. Lacking a strong record, Mr Clinton will have to run against Republican "extremism". Having won as the candidate of change, he will now present himself as a defender of all that is popular about the status quo. The Man from Hope (his home in Arkansas) will thus become the Man from Fear.

Mr Dole, who would be the oldest man ever to reach the White House, will seek to turn his age to his advantage by making this an election about character and leadership -Mr Clinton's weak spots. He will urge voters to pass the torch back to the generation that won both the Second World War and the Cold War. He will allude to the heroism that nearly cost him his life in 1945, his long fight back to health, his record of experience and legislative accomplishment during 35 years in Washington. "It's time for adult leadership," he says. The pendulum could yet

back in Mr Dole's favour. Mr Clinton's deployment of American troops in Bosnia-Herzegovina could go Starr, the special prosecutor, could produce a devastating report on the Whitewater affair. The Republican revolution's present unpopularity could evaporate if it does genuinely balance the nation's books for the first time in decades. Conversely, Mr Dole may fail to last the pace for the next II months, or Mr Perot's fledgeling third party may again split the Republican

Light shed on Clinton land deals

Washington: A new version emerged yesterday of how a confidant Bill and Hillary Clinton tried to contain the Whitewater affair (Ian Brodie

James Blair, a prominent lawyer in their home state of Arkansas, told Newsweek magazine that he lent \$1.000 (E6SO) to the bankrupt James McDougal, their partner in the project, so that he could buy their shares, which were practically worthless.

The transaction was handled by Vincent Foster, the lawyer who went with the Clintons to the White House and who was later found shot through the head in a park. His death was ruled to be suicide, but suggestions of foul

Japan 'hit with own uranium'

New York: A former American intelligence officer has disclosed that the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki may have contained uranium taken from Japan's own nuclear weapons programme (James Bone

The uranium was found aboard a Nazi submarine that surrendered to US forces in the North Atlantic in May 1945 after setting sail from Kiel for Japan. The U-boat contained ten boxes filled with 560kg of uranium ore, apparently destined for Japan's atomic bomb-making project.

Iran to tackle 'US terrorism'

Nicosia: The Iranian parliament has supported a proposal to set up a special fund to fight "Washington-sponsored terrorism" against Islamic countries. Ima, the Iranian news agency said. The deci-sion comes after moves in the US Congress to allocate up to \$20 million (£13 million) for a covert action programme against Tehran. Ali Akbar Nateq-Nouri, the Speaker, criticised the American plans as "state terrorism" while Iranian deputies shouted "death to the US". (Reuter)

Cairo blocks Florida show

St Petersburg, Florida: The Florida International Museum has sold 82,000 exhibition tickets to lovers of ancient Egyptian artefacts, but Cairo says they may not go on display on January 10, because the museum has vio-lated a \$10 million (£6,45 million) deal for a five-city American tour. Officials in Florida say the Egyptian Govrnment raised the issue of the deal just before a final contract was to be signed. (Reuter)

Texas weapons ban is lifted

Houston: Texans will today be able to carry concealed weapons for the first time in 125 years. The law overturns an 1871 ban in response to violence in the Wild West. So far, 171,000 people have re-quested applications for permits to carry weapons. Local governments have greeted the new law with a wave of regulations banning the use of guns in public places. (Reuter)

Rioters fail to flush out mayor

Buenos Aires: An Argentin ian mayor locked himself in the town hall toilets for 15 hours to escape rioters protesting over plans to dismiss 120 workers. Alejandro Quintieron, the Mayor of Milagro. in La Rioja province, who was freed by police, said the rioters wanted to kill him. (Reuter)

Harriman family settles its multi-million dollar feud

The impasse has aroused

scorn for the politicians involved, but by refusing to cut the growth of healthcare for the elderly and the poor Mr

Clinton seems to have the

gained the edge in public support over his Republican

opponents. Robert Dole, the

Senate leader, and Newt

Gingrich, the House Speaker.

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

PAMELA HARRIMAN. the American Ambassador in Paris, has settled a 15-month feud involving the loss of millions of dollars with the family of her late husband.

In doing so, she has also joined forces with them in pursuing claims against the legal and financial advisers chosen by W. Averell Harriman as trustees of his estate. Terms of the settlement were not disclosed, but they resolved lawsuits in which Mrs Harriman, a Democratic fund-raiser, was accused with the advisers of squandering more than \$35 million (£22.7 million) on bad investments and in borrowing from the heirs' trust funds.

The English-born Mrs Harriman, had been portrayed as growing weary of the dispute. She said in a statement: "I am pleased to have finally been able to achieve a settlement of all the issues separating my late husband's heirs and me." Harriman was a seasoned

diplomat who was Ambassador in London, and a skilled financier with a family fortune from the Union Pacific railway. On his death ten years ago, Mrs Harriman inherited half his \$65 million estate and became a trustee of trusts he set up for two daughters by an earlier marriage, six grand-children and Il greatgrandchildren. The statement said the set-

tlement resolves "all pending litigation" between the heirs and Mrs Harriman "through a mutual and reciprocal redis-tribution of family assets." The family had alleged that there had been disastrous investments in a New Jersey

resort that had failed as a Playboy hotel and in a factory making soles for running shoes. One fund containing \$25 million had been reduced to \$3 million, they claimed Mrs Harriman and the advis-

ers denied any wrongdoing. To raise funds, Mrs Harriman sold paintings by Renoir, Matisse and Picasso for \$18.6 million at Christie's in New York a year ago.
According to The Washington Post, Mrs Harriman was

close to a settlement last June that would have given the heirs \$20 million but would have required her to sell all her paintings and her man-sion in Washington. She did not sign, saying she needed to maintain a net worth of \$10 million and an annual income of between \$700,000 and \$800,000, the newspaper said.

Grateful Dead may be revived

New York Jerry Garcia, the late leader of the Grateful Dead, may soon "live" again, thanks to a plan by surviving band members to release a new album from tapes he made before he died (James Bone writes).

Garcia's posthumous come back is being planned by Phil Lesh, the group's bass-player, who hopes to salvage enough material from sessions recorded before Garcia's death in a California drug-treatment clinic last August. The Grateful Dead pioneer-

ed acid-rock music in the 1960s and under Garcia's leadership went on to achieve cult status

Lesh and the rest of the group are considering recording new music around Garcia's guitar and vocal tracks. giving him a new release from

US lobster trade in hot water with animal rights activists

2 South Carolina primary

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

WHEN Mary Tyler Moore met a lõib lobster named Spike at a restaurant in Malibu, the television star was so appalled that she offered to buy it for \$1,000 (£650) to spare it a painful death in a pot of boiling water.

The restaurant refused, saying Spike was a pet. Moved to action, however, Ms Tyler Moore became a leading campaigner in the growing movement in America for "lobster liberation". During this year's Lobster Festival in Maine, the half the country's lobsters, a local newspaper published a

letter from her. "Marine biologists report that lobsters are fascinating beings with complex social interactions, long childhoods and awkward adolescences," she wrote. "Like humans, they flirt with one another and have been seen walking 'clawin-claw. And like humans, lobsters feel pain." Flushed with success from their campaign against fur,

animal rights groups have shifted their focus to the tasty crustaceans. Campaigners recently "liberated" 16 lobsters from an Arizona shop. Activists paid \$16 a pound to release Tucson is and another \$700 to ship them to Maine to



Bound for the kitchen

be returned to the Atlantic The operation provoked ridicule among Maine residents particularly since only 14 of the creatures survived the trip.

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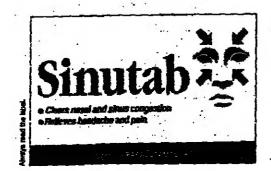
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NEW HAMPSHIRE ADVANTAGE

nomination in New Hampshire have always gone on to win re-election, but those challenged never have.

Not surprisingly, the \$320 million-a-year lobster industry challenges the assertion that the creatures feel pain and that their scream when plunged into boiling water is a cry of agony. Lobsters, the Maine Lobster Promotion Council reports, have no vocal cords. The scream comes from air or water suddenly escaping from the shells.
The lobstermen note that

the American lobster. Homarus americanus, is a cannibal that wrenches the legs off crabs before it devours them. If it had the chance to change places, they say, a lobster would have no compunction about eating people.



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Dini takes over reins of Europe as his grip on power in Italy weakens

ITALY takes over the six-month presidency of the European Union from Spain today in a state of political chaos remarkable even by Italian standards. Not even veteran observers of Italy's 54 postwar governments are sure whether the caretaker Prime Minister, the lugubrious 64-year-old Lamberto Dini, will last in office until July when Italy hands over the EU haton to Ireland.

At the weekend, when his year-

long emergency mandate expired, Signor Dini wrapped up a 1996 budget with tight spending targets and then offered his resignation to President Scalfaro. Signor Scalfaro told Signor Dini to let parliament decide his fate after the new year break, but Italy's numerous parties remain at odds over whether elections should be held during Italy's tenure of the EU

Silvio Berlusconi, the mercurial tycoon whose Centre-Right coalition collapsed a year ago and who goes on trial on corruption charges

this month, has until now been demanding elections to try to bring Signor Dini down. At the weekend. however, he called for a broad all-party coalition to govern for the next two years, saying that Italy faces a constitutional crisis comparable with the creation of democra-

Behind the turmoil lies the fear that despite Signor Dini's widely applauded efforts to impose budgetary discipline. Italy cannot meet the Maastricht criteria for joining a single currency in 1999. It is Europe's misfortune that while

Maastricht reform is coming to a head - with EU enlargement, expanded majority voting and monetary union all on the agenda - Italy's own political reforms are still in flux.

It is three years since electoral reform and the Mani Pulite (Clean Hands) anti-corruption drive combined to overturn 40 years of rule by the Christian Democrats. The explosion of new parties and the apparently endless uncovering of skulduggery in high places have produced regeneration, but not yet a more stable system.

It may fall to Signor Dini to usher in one, particularly if the former communist Democratic Party of the Left (PDS), supports him. Signor Dini was plucked from the central bank to be Signor Berlusconi's Treasury Minister. and pledged loyalty to his former mentor when he succeeded him a

Despite disavowals, however, Signor Dini shows distinct signs of enjoying power and of wanting to keep it. His aim is to reduce Italy's budget deficit — nearly 8 per cent of GDP — to something nearer the Maastricht target of 3 per cent. "We may have to ask Italians to make greater sacrifices than they

Given Italy's domestic turmoil. its EU agenda is modest it emphasises measures to counteract unemployment, and Mediterranean concerns. On the other hand, the tide of pro-European opinion still runs strong in Italy. and Signor Dini will want to build on the decision by the Madrid EU summit at the end of the Spanish presidency to adhere to the Maas-

Signor Dini's immediate task will be to persuade the prickly President Chirac to attend the Turin summit in March to mark the opening of the inter-govern-mental conference on revising Maastricht. They have barely been on speaking terms since Madrid, where Signor Dini condemned French nuclear testing in the South Pacific. M Chirac retorted that he would probably have much better things to do in the spring of 1996

US Army engineers construct the largest pontoon bridge since the Second World War

Tanks roll into Bosnia after Sava bridge is built

COLUMNS of American tanks rolled across the Sava River into Bosnia yesterday after US Army engineers completed constructing a bridge. The building of the pontoon

bridge, hampered for days by wintry weather, will finally enable the US First Armoured Division to deploy in Bosnia-Herzegovina. The division forms the bulk of the 20,000 American contingent of the Nato peace implementation force. Ifor, About 2000 soldiers are already at the American headquarters in Tuzla in northern Bosnia.

Last week, the swollen Sava River overflowed, flooding the

destroying what work had been accomplished. Yesterday, however. US Humvees and 70-tonne Abrams tanks were at last able to cross from Croatia into Bosnia using the 600-yard long pontoon bridge. the largest built by the US Army since the Second World War when Americans crossed the Rhine in 1945 to march

against Hitler's forces. About

(00 vehicles carrying 400

troops were expected to cross

the bridge yesterday. The Nato mission has got off to a bold start by bulldozing checkpoints and clearing roads through Serb-held territory, where the United Nations had not dared to venture.

The efficacy of the Nato operation has come into question. however, after spokesmen said it was not within Nato's mandate to enforce freedom of movement for civilians.

One of the pillars of the Bosnia-Herzegovina Peace Accord is that civilians are able to move freely throughout Bosnia. However, people on both sides of the war say they are terrified of crossing into enemy territory without an escort, a service that Ifor has refused to provide.

A Muslim man, interviewed on Bosnian television, said he and his family were beaten by Serbs when their car was stopped crossing the Serb-held

commitment under the peace agreement - the interim route Gorazde," said Colonel Raynor, "In principle, escortng of vehicles will not be done by Ifor," he added. At the weekend, the first

civilian bus ran from Sarajevo to Gorazde, a Muslim enclave east of Sarajevo that has been isolated throughout the three and a half years of war. Crowds of people greeted the vehicle's arrival. Admiral Leighton Smith,

suburb of Ilidza, on the out-

skirts of Sarajevo. Another

Bosnian civilian, a lorry driv-

er, vanished and is reported to

have been detained by the

endangering incidents, Ifor is

mandated to intervene," said

Lieutenant-Colonel Mark

Raynor, a British spokesman.

However, he said Ifor would

not investigate the reported

incidents because that was the

job of the local authorities.

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Ifor has agreed to provide

escorts on the road to

Gorazde. "That is a specific

area to which we have a

"If Ifor sees violence or life-

Serbs in the town.

force," he said.

he American commander of the Nato operation in Bosnia. rejected at the weekend a Serb demand to extend the deadline for pulling out the Bosnian-Serb Army from Serb-held ral Smith, who had agreed to consider the request, said he did not have the authority to alter the terms of the peace



A soldier embraces General William Nash, right, who came to praise US Army engineers for building the bridge

agreement and the deadlines

In spite of their disappointment about certain aspects of the Nato mission, the citizens of Sarajevo are entering the new year in high spirits. The are packed with shoppers, and the stores, whose shattered windows and barren shelves bore testimony to the travails

of war only two months ago. are now full of goods.

The city is already playing host to celebrity tourists. Yesterday. Bono, the lead singer of the Irish rock band U2, was on hand to celebrate New the new year here is a festival that all of the traditions of the city have in common," said the musician at a press conference which was attended Mohamed Sacirbey, the Bos-

nian Foreign Minister. The Sarajevo Philharmonic Orchestra, a third of whose members either fled the city or were killed during the siege of stage a New Year's Eve concert at the National Theatre.

On the streets of the city,

clowns from the Barcelona-

based group. Clowns Without Borders, held a parade as children with painted faces ran alongside.

☐ Tuzia: Bosnians planning to celebrate their first peaceful New Year's Day with the to let off any shots near the US airbase here for fear of frightening the Americans, local radio said yesterday. (AFP)

The first American tank crosses the new bridge over the Sava River into Bosnia

Major reshuffles top diplomats in Europe

BY MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

KEY appointments are shortly to be made in the Government and Foreign Office machine as John Major prepares his strategy for difficult negotiations in the inter-governmental conference later this year.

The changes, involving the ambassadors in Paris and Bonn, top diplomats in Whitehall and the Prime Minister's two principle foreign affairs advisers, are some of the most far-reaching for years. They are caused partly by retirement, but are also part of a reshuffle to give the Government as much expertise as it can muster for the European negotiations.

An announcement will soon be made that Michael Jay, the Deputy Under-Secretary in the Foreign Office, will suc-ceed Sir Christopher Mallaby as Ambassador to Paris. He will play a crucial role in consolidating the good rela-tions with France and seeking a broad alliance with President Chirac in the coming negotiations.

Mr Jay will be replaced by Paul Lever, an Assistant

Under-Secretary of State in charge of security policy, who takes up his new job tomorrow. Mr Lever will have to draw up the options for Mr. Major and Malcolm Rifkind. the Foreign Secretary, as they fight federalist demands from the Continent.

Mr Jay's appointment at the age of 49 breaks the tradition of Paris being a post from which ambassadors retire. The post has become so enmeshed in European politics and so crucial to the Government's attempt to prevent the inter-governmental confer-ence taking radical leaps towards a closer European union that Mr Major wanted in the post a high-flyer who has spent the past five years

immersed in EU politics. Two other pivotal changes will be in Downing Street. Roderic Lyne, the Prime Minister's foreign affairs adviser. is leaving this month to join British Gas. He has been a key negotiator in the Irish peace talks. He will be succeeded by John Holmes, who has headed one of the two Foreign Office

Neville-Jones: no clear

departments dealing with the EU, and has served previously in Delhi and Moscow.

Christopher Meyer, Mr Major's press spokesman who was summoned home from Washington to sharpen up the Prime Minister's public image, is due to leave Downing Street soon, having completed the two years that he intended to serve there.

He will likely move to one of the two Western European embassies that will need new ambassadors when Sir Nigel Broomfield retires from Bonn and Sir Patrick Fairweather leaves Rome. Mr Meyer, a German speaker, is strongly tipped for Bonn.

The changes leave one senior diplomat disappointed. Pauline Neville-Jones, the political director in the Foreign Office, is Britain's most senior woman diplomat and had been strongly tipped to be the first to head a large embassy such as Bonn or Washington.

She failed to get Paris and is known not to want Bonn. where she has already served. She is shortly to be replaced by Jeremy Greenstock, her current deputy, but no clear new position is open for her. Miss Neville lones was a member of the Contact Group where she was Britain's chief negoti-ator over Bosnia-Herzegovina. She was one of those who

signed the Dayton agreement. Yesterday it emerged that Lord Gilmore, the head of the Foreign Office until last year who was ennobled in the New Year's Honours List, is to join the Centre for European Reform, a think-tank to be launched this month which will, among other initiatives, help to develop European policy for the Labour Party.

Yeltsin promises to keep up reforms

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

PRESIDENT Yeltsin made a new year's resolution to pursue his course of economic reform in Russia, in spite of the Communist election victory, regarded as a massive no-confidence vote in his

policies.
The Russian leader, who returned to work on Friday after nearly two months recuperating from a heart attack, warned his countrymen that the alternative to reform was a return to the bleakest period of Soviet rule.

"It is in Russia's national interests to develop democracy, to strengthen law and order and to continue economic reforms," he said. The remarks were unlikely to calm the littery business community in Russia, which fears the Communists may repeat their election triumph in the presidential race in June.

Western investors in Russia fear their assets could be seized overnight if the Communists carry out their threat to renationalise state industries. The loss of confidence caused by the Communist win may already have claimed its first victim. Last week Stet. Italy's state-controlled telecommunications company. suspended its offer for 25 per cent of Sviazinvest, its Russian counterpart, halting a planned

£900 million investment. "I think it is unlikely anyone is going to invest in any new. large, projects in Russia until it becomes clear who will be running the country after June's presidential elections."

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French forgers threaten new European coins FROM BEN MACINTURE currency, but the flood of French counter-

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Meyer: upped to be

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FORGERS have pumped millions of fake Fr10 coins into the French economy. forcing the Government to issue shopkeepers with a new "counterfeit identification guide" and prompting fresh debate on the size, shape and colour of the single European currency. When the

Fr10 coin was introduced in 1988, its makers insisted the combination of metal alloys - a gold-coloured rim with a silver-coloured centre - made it impossible to duplicate. Ingenious forgers immediately proved otherwise.

Last year the directors of the EU's national mints provisionally agreed to rse a similar two-tone technique for roducing coins in a single European

feits has led to fears that the euro could also fail prey to forgers. Officials estimate that each fake ten-

franc coin costs an average of one franc to produce, providing forgers with a 90 per cent profit.

At the most conservative estimate, the counterfeiters have already made around Fr60 million (£8.2 million).

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'The end of the year should not be marked by senseless euphoria'

Leaders strike optimistic note

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR revive confidence in France

and repair the damage to his

reputation done by his long

silence during the country's

President kwasniewski

used his new year message to

deliner a sharp political chall-

enge to the West, saying that

Poland's economic develop-

ment and political stability

were a mandate for the coun-

try's entry into the European

cival unrest.

PRESIDENT YELTSIN and the Pope have both reappeared in public after recent illnesses to deliver new year messages and to reassure the world that they are fully

Mr Yeltsin attended a new year reception in the Kremlin on Saturday and insisted that he had not ruled out standing for re-election in the June presidential election. He said he was still thinking about the question and would announce his decision at the beginning of next month.

The Pope, who was forced by flu to cut short his Christmas message, appeared at the window of his private apartments to deliver his Sunday Angelus prayer to the crowd in St Peter's Square. He looked well and relaxed after recuperating at Castelgandolfo, his holiday residence south of Rome, where local police said he had been for a three-hour walk in the mountains on Last night, at his traditional

end-of-year vespers in the Jesuit church of St Ignatius, in the centre of Rome, the Pope appealed for mederation in welcoming the new year, "For Christians, the end of the solar year should not be marked by senscless euphoria typical of pagans throughout history.

In a television address last evening. President Chirue of France, whose political health been threatened by strikes, political turmoil and international criticism of French nuclear tests in the South Pacific, attempted to



Chirac tried to repair his damaged reputation



Kwasniewski: issued a challenge to the West



npen borders," he said, adding

that Poland's moves towards

European integration were

not directed against anyone.

"We will develop amicable

bilateral relations with all

countries of the East and

President Mandela also

dwelt in his message on South

Africa's unprecedented social,

political and economic stabil-

ity and said the country was

West," he said.

Mandela: called for

He areed reconciliation between whites and blacks, and referred to South Africa's winin last year's Rugby World Cap, an event that did much to bring the country's races

logether. Further north in Africa, a gloomier message was deliv-

ered by Antoine Ndawayo, the Prime Minister of Burundi, in a bleak new year assessment on Saturday, he forecast more bloodshed and saffering for his ethnically divided country The ideology of evelusion and

gentaide ... continues to gain ground so that, if we do not watch our our country will fall under the dictatorship of extremists and the perpetrators of genucide," he said

In Sri Lanka, where civii war is also raging, officialforecast a better new year despite soaring defence expenditure and fears of Tamil terrorism. The Government said, however, that it would launch another onslaught against the Tamil Tigers, and G. L. Peiris, the Finance Min-ister, said: This is a war for peace. We have to find the resources for it somehow."

The Pope addressing the crowd gathered in St Peter's Square, Rome, yesterday rioters attack

FROM SCOTT STRAUS IN LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA

Asians

P. R. PATEL looks despondently around his ransacked dress-making factory. Paper-work, clothing scraps and buttons lie scattered across the

shop floor.
"They finished my life," said Mr Patel, who emigrated from India decades ago. "From 1953 until now, to build this country, this factory. Now I'm 74 and thinking maybe I'll die."

"They" are black Zambians who struck Mr Patel's factory in late October during three days of rioting and. looting aimed at Livingstone's wellheeled Asian community. Although the riots were sparked by an accusation of child murder, they have laid bare the resentment many blacks feel for Asians, who have excelled in commerce since the end of colonialism.

For three days, the rioters turned the tables. They picked shops and factories clean. smashed luxury cars, ransacked homes and even stole toilet seats, carpets and icons from the Hindu temple.

The riots, in which no one was hurt, began on October 27 after police arrested Mohanbhai Patel at his furni-

Earlier, police had arrested three black Zambians for the murders of black children, who were found with organs missing. One admitted to killing the children to "sell to Indians" and he identified Mr Patel, and another Asian man, arrested a week later.

Livingstone's mayor during the riots instructed police to protect government buildings and not shops. Asians say that a town councillor urged the rioters to burn their shops. Zambian immigration officials stopped all Asians from crossing into Zimbabwe.

Gilbert Cona, the councillor who allegedly incited the rioting, which he denies, said: These people are very greedy. We gave them all they need and now they're after our hearts. I have no apologies for

what happened." The roughly 10,000 Asians in Zambia, with a popuplation of nine million, say that a mass expulsion is not on the cards. However, many Asians in Livingstone say that they are preparing, reluctantly, to pack up and leave.

Zambian | Gay South **Africans** come out of closet

FROM the country's first gay tourism agency to massive raves across the country, South Africa is fast emerging from the closet of its repressive past in dramatic fashion.

Responding to the growing demand from overseas visitors searching for gay clubs and gay-friendly places, a married housewife from Cape Town last month launched GAYes-Cape. a travel agency aimed specifically at the international gay tourist market.

Advertisements on the Internet and in gay magazines have stirred huge inter-est from as far afield as Australia. The influx of growing numbers of gay tourists has spurred talk of the pink rand and the lavender maringly visible local gay community is undergoing a metamorphosis. While Cape Town has long had a gay presence, it maintained a comparatively low profile during the apartheid years because homosexuality was heavily stigmatised and

> discriminated against. In South Africa gays are derogatively referred to as moffie (Afrikaans for "glove") airline stewards are known as coffee moffies — and under legislation passed by the old regime homosexuality was effectively illegal.

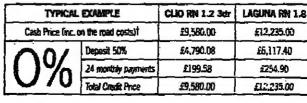
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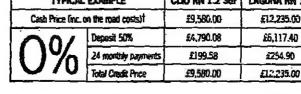
The new sense of freedom and liberalisation engendered by President Mandela's Government is also reflected in the burgeoning rave scene. In Cape Town and Johannesburg rave clubs and parties are mushrooming and last night about 10,000 party-goers descended on a golf course in the heart of Cape Town to dance until 10am today with the help of a range of illegal

stimulants.
"Mandela started the ball rolling when he gave people the freedom to do what they wanted." said Robin Sprong, 22, the baby-faced editor of Evolver. South Africa's first rave magazine. "You have this funky old man who wears cool shirts and has no hangups and because of him discrimination is quickly disappearing in South Africa. People just want to relax and

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the South African authorities had failed to give assurances about the safety of the players. President Mandela has led the drive to enforce an embargo on Nigeria in the

the defending champions.

would not take part in the

African Cup of Nations tournament, the continent's equiv-

alent of the World Cup, which begins in Johannesburg in two

In withdrawing Nigeria's

team. Chief Jo Nwabodo, the

Nigerian Minister of Sport. said he was doing so because

wake of the execution of nine SOUTH AFRICA last night minority rights activists in held out an olive branch to Nigeria after Lagos an-November. nounced that its football team.

Nigeria turns boycott

into political football

FROM RAY KENNEDY IN JOHANNESBURG

The withdrawal of Nigeria could ruin the Cup of Nations tournament, which is being promoted in South Africa as a showpiece for post-apartheid sports achievement. Earlier, the Nigerian claims

were rejected by South African foorball officials. Soloman Morewa, president of the South African Football Association, said that the comments were a gross exaggeration, adding: "There may be uneasiness in political circles between South Africa and Nigeria, but it did not extend



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In Cardiff, Mark Wigglesworth makes his debut as music director VENUE: Tonight at St David's Hall

CARDIFF: Mark Wiggleenorth opens his new year in fine style: he makes his debut as music director of the BBC National Orchestra of Wales bright with a programme of Rasel and Lentrand the Strauss lamily.

St David's Hall, The Heyes (01222-878 444). Tonght, 7.30pm. 6

NEWCASTLE: Sarah Walker pins

David Hastern and the Northern Skriftonia for one of today's many traditional Viennese concents across to country. Baritone Richard Suart teless up the fun of a Gilbert and Sulliven

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pley Stopperd's attendent lords; Matthew Francis directs. Matticani (Lytellion), South Benk, SE1 (0171-928 2352). Tonight, 7 30pm. (g)

ID THE SHANCESPEARS REVUE: A with evening of song, dance and steiches to do with William S. Assembled by Christopher Luscombe and Malcolm McKee. Vasuleville, Strand, WC2 (0171-836 9967). Mon-Frt, Song, Set, 8.30pm; mais Wed, 2.30pm and Set, 5.30pm.

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CHOICE 3 Sarah Walker joins Viennese evening



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PESTIVE BALLETS. The seasonel laily dust \$\text{shally reaches its less week of performances for both The Nutcracker and Graderells, danced respectively by English National Ballet and London Cry Bellet. ENB turns its attentions to Swarn Lailer (at the Pestive) Hally from next week.

week. Feetfirel Half, South Bank, SE1 (0171-960 4242). Tonight-Sat, 7 30pm, mats. Tue and Sat, 2 30pm. Sadari's Walfs, Rosobory Avenue, EC1 (0171-713 6000) Tonight-Sat, 7 30pm, mat Sat, 2 30pm. RAY GELATO: Anyone who foll for Five Guys Named Moe will be quite at home with the jumping pive of sacophonists Rey Getato, this country's areswer to Louis Jordan and Louis Payra. Bright, consistent of the benefits the benefits of the benefits of the benefits. unpretentious and invigorating, his band harks back to an era when pizz was still kerally a popular music Pizza on the Park, Knightsbridge, SW1 (0171-235 5273) Tonght-Sa, 9.15

A DAY IN VIENNA: John Georgiad returns to the London Symphony Orchestra to lead a double-bill

A CHRISTMAS CAROL: Revived of kin Judge's popular but over-seest production. Clive Francis plays Scrooge Barblean, Silk Street, EC2 (0171-638

sold out Links Jan 13 👸 E COMPANY: Adman Lessey, Shelle Gish, Sophie Thompson in an excellent staging of Sondheim's bittersweet musical on maringe, pro and contra. Dommar Wayelhouse, Earlism Street, WC2 (0171-369 1732) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mals Wed and Set, 3pm. §

DEAD FURNIT: Belinda Lung, Kevin McNally and Sam Kally in Teary Johnson's sharply lunny play about comes and some of their lans. Servey, The Strand, WC2 (1171-888 8888) Mon-Fri, Bpm; Sat, 8, 16pm; mets Wed, 2,30pm and Set, 5pm; (2)

HYSTERIA Herry Goodman plays Froud, with Tim Potter as Salvador De in Terry Johnson's surreel, double award-winner. The funniest serious play Dulle of Yorks, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (0171-836 5122) Mon-Set, 7 30pm; mats Thurs and Set, 3pm. (5)

IN MACK AND MARKE: Jerry Herman's musical set in early Hollywood, Fine songs, though a troublesome book. Starring Howar troublesome book. Starring Howa McGillin and a delightful Caroline O'Connor. Piccedilly, Denman Street, W1 (0171-369 1734) Mon-Set, 7 45pm; mets Wed and Sat. 3pm.

NEW RELEASES

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CURRENT ANGELS AND INSECTS (18) Procreative garriet in Victorien England Handsome drame, with Mark Rylancs.

TODAY'S CHOICE

A daily guide to arts and entartaloment complied by Kris Anderson

younger members of the audience. Barbican, Sik Street, EC2 (0171-638 8891) Today, 3pm and 7.30pm. (2)

ELSEWHERE BAGNOR: E.B. White's toucurbs Cheriotte's Webb is adapted by award-white children's playwright Joseph Robnette, Streadway mester Charles Strouse is in charge of the music and lyrics for some bouble aronal magic. Webermall (01635-46044) Tomorous-Set, 2:30 and 7pm; until Jan 13

Edition Pays, Nyteo Dawn Popter and Colin Baker star in Miles Read's acclaimed adaptation of Great Expectations. A nationwide its is due

Alexandra (0121-643 1231), Tonight, 7.30pm Umil Feb 17. (2)

THEATRE GUIDE

SI AN INSPECTOR CALLS: Stephen Dairly's powerful production, with Nacholes Woodeson as the git-knowing Inspector, and Edward Peal and Susen Engel as the pillars of society. Garriek, Chering Cross Road, WC2 (0171-494 6085). Mon-Fri, 7 45pm; Sat, 8 15pm; mats Wed, 2,30pm, Sat, Spm.

PRIVATES ON PARADE TORY Statury plays the impressibly camp entertainer in Peter Nichols's comedy with music, set at on Army Camp Party Malaya in 1948. Paul Cleyton directs. Greenwich, Crooms HB, SE10 (0181-858 7755), Man-Sat, 7.45pm; met Set,

TRETURN TO THE PORBIDDEN PLANET, A marveflously mad mix of The Tempest with Great Balls of File and other cosmic hits of the 1950s and Shaftasbury, Shaftasbury Avene, WC2 (0171-379 5389) Mon-Thurs, 8pm; Fri and Sat, 5pm and 8 30pm

N ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD: Adren Soarborough and Siznon Russell Beale

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At the Tate in Liverpool, teenagers turn a fresh eye on familiar

Guy Walters meets the young people in charge of a show at the Liverpool Tate



Poetry and emotion: Young Tate members select works for the Testing the Water exhibition, inspired by Dali's poem and painting of Narcissus

alvador Dalí's Meta-Digging with morphosis of Narcissus sits on two foam blocks, propped against the wall, Perching on either side are Gwen John's the new Taters Nude Girl and Magritte's Reckless Sleeper. It is a selection that would look more suitable gracing the strong-room of a Japanese bank than lounging about in a room full of Doctor Marten-clumping and development for us," says youths. The paintings are part

The show, called Testing the Water, aims to explore the themes of adolescence, reflection and realisation. The tearn has been lucky to have had The group is the display almost complete access to the started last year to kindle young people's interest in modern and contemporary stead of opting for a hasslefree selection process, in which each would pick his or her favourite work, debate and democracy were enforced, thus making the members

question their choices. "I had to really fight to get my piece in," says Soraya Lemsatef, 19, who chose Musée Imaginaire by Reg Butler, a collection of 39 bronze figures in a wooden cabinet. I saw it in a catalogue, and the others hated it." Lemsatef is reading Fine Art and Social Context at Bristol

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University, which leads 15-year-old Kerrie Bagan to tell her, "You always use really long words and I don't know what they mean". Bagan is the youngest in the group, although her forthrightness belies it. "I didn't know anything about the gallery, and I would never normally have gone in one before this," she says. "I

was interviewed by the local

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The works, which also include paintings by Bacon and Bellmer and four sculp-

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tures by William Turnbull, are linked by lines from Dali's cissus - whose themes are being exploited by the team to

give their show a unity. Sarah James. 17, who is studying for A levels at Birkenhead Sixth Form College, chanced upon the work in a heap of catalogues. The poem simply helped us to thread together with a delicate clarity the art works that had so far moved and excited us," she writes in the show's catalogue.

Yes, even the catalogue is written by the team, for this is a project that involves all stages of mounting a show.

Each member has analysed a work, and their descriptions are more scholarly and less impenetrable than the norm.

There is, however, one thorn in the team's side, and that is Scylhoun. All claim to hate this surrealist piece that equates rocks in the sea with legs in the bath, and nobody will admit to choosing it. "It just seems to fit our theme," says Stephen Connell, 19, who is on an art foundation course at John Moores University. "So we're stuck with it now." Connell was lumbered with writing Says ina "perhaps the artist is suggesting that she is not to be challenged or intimidated by

the opposite sex". There is no chance of this happening among the team. The females are much louder than the males, and one of them remarks, "Well, there are fewer of them". The Young Tate display team has 14 members. Seven are male.

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HE SHOOTS, HE SCORES - BUT NOT FOR ENGLAND







Shearer strikes for his hundredth Premiership goal for Blackburn Rovers, the second in a 2-1 victory against Tottenham Hotspur on Saturday, then begins the celebrations with his team-mates. Photographs: Stewart Kendall

Shearer runs up Premiership century in 124 games

Hundred-goal enigma

THE strike was deadly, and somehow the epitome of Eng-Shearer, his back to goal outside the penalty area, suddenly twisted and turned away from Gary Mabbutt and drove the ball, violently, decisively beyond the reach of lan Walker, the Tottenham Hotspur goalkeeper. Ewood Park, built, it sometimes seems, as a steel monument to the reliable goalscoring of Shearer, crupted in celebration of him becoming, easily, the first man to hit 100 goals since the FA Carling Premiership began 312 years ago.

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For sheer strength of mind and muscle, for his refusal to be inhibited either by serious knee injury or by the knocks of his trade, Shearer deservedly stands ahead of Les Ferdinand, 78 Premiership goals. Andy Cole, 72, Ian Wright, 66, and the apprentice, Robbie Fowler, already 53.

Fowler, already 33.

Yet, when Shearer swaps the blue and white of Blackburn Rovers for the white of England, he is like Superman without his cape. He has had a barren year. In fact, it is 15 months, and ten internationals, since Shearer last scored. When representing Blackburn in Europe, he also loses the plot his only goal in six Champions' League games this season came from the

penalty spot.

Ten of Shearer's 34 league goals last season were also penalties, but back to the hundredth Alan Shearer Premiership goal, scored in his 124th game. Perhaps Mabbutt could have sensed which way Shearer would num and strike; after all, his right foot is

Rob Hughes, football correspondent, on a striker who never seems to fail for his club but seldom succeeds for his country

the renowned finishing tool. In addition, Walker, England's No 3 goalkeeper, did not look alert when the ball came, like a missile, his way. Is this, perhaps, one reason why Shearer is so irrepressible on home soil, and less so when the opponents are foreign? There can be three avenues of investigation:

(a) That Shearer does not carry the same conviction into the England shirt
(b) That he is not served as usel as he readily admits he is

well as he readily admits he is at the heart of the Blackburn machine

(c) That overseas footballers are eleverer, read the game, anticipate, and intercept

One can use the analogy of motor racing. Blackburn Rovers could be like the racing car, set up specifically for him—for his build, his movement, his intent—rather like the Formula One car prepared for Michael Schumacher. Mike Newell, for example, is the primer, the provider, the self-less runner who sets up so much for Shearer.

That is not to say that anyone else could emulate his consistency. Look at the man, and you see a willingness to trade English blow for blow. Listen to him and you hear the same repetitive explanation that he could never score his goals were it not for the good and the great players around him. Dare one ask if the providers of Blackburn are, by this definition, more accom-

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Shearer, than those of the England national team?

If you wish to irritate him, then do so. He will repeat, again and again, that he never has voiced disaffection with his role, often as the lone outand-out striker, in Terry Venables's line-up. "Of course I wish I'd scored more times for England," he said, "but you don't always get exactly what you want in this game."

That does not, however, answer the conundrum. There is not a hint of suggestion that Shearer ever gives less than his best for anyone. Indeed, if ever a man's physical effort, his straining to do well for the team, could transfer itself to the eyes of the onlooker, then one would never question Shearer's input.

My own suspicion is that his wonderful straightforward approach, built on strength and unerring expectation of scoring, lacks the guile for international football. There he faces not one, but two opponents — a marker attempting to stick closer than a brother to his hide, and a sweeper, a spare defender ever

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lurking and waithful, ready once Shearer turns away from his marker as he did from Mabbutt on Saturday. Yet England have failed, for

those ten matches and more, to "rest" Shearer, to see if someone swifter, more curning, almost as prolific, might better suit international requirements. I think of Ferdinand, without claiming that he could ever outscore Shearer, the best of his breed in England, but just might gel internationally.

Down the years, nobody has transferred from league football to the international scene more readily for England than Jimmy Greaves, who scored 357 times in 514 league games, and 44 goals in 57 internationals for his country. Gerd Müller, the German who struck 628 goals for Bayern Munich and 68 goals in 62 internationals, once told me that there is no difference between club and national team duty.

"I have this instinct for knowing when a defence is going to relax, or when a defender will make a mistake," Müller said. "Something inside me says, Gerd, go this way. Gerd, go that. I don't know what it is."

No living Englishman knows, either, why Shearer can appear to apply the same philosophy playing for his club yet lose the instinct for England. If it is not the opposition, nor the way that the formation is set up around him, then we shall go to Euro 96 collectively scratching our heads about the goalscorer who is both the best and the most barren in our colours.

Thunderer rises to national challenge

THE TIMES has won the top tipsters' award for 1995. As Thunderer, The Times racing team scooped the Racing Post National Press Challenge, finishing nearly £70 ahead of their nearest rival, Templegate, of The Sun.

The award completes a memorable double for The Times. In December, Richard Evans, racing correspondent, was voted racing journalist of the year.

The challenge, which runs for a calendar year, is open to the national daily newspapers, plus the Racing Post and The Sporting Life. Competitors begin with a bank of £1,000, from which £1 is staked on selections at all the main meetings. Thunderer ended the year with the largest bank — £762.50.

The Times team showed consistency by lifting the monthly prize three times and, with 1,963 successes, selected the second highest number of winners. They included a host of long-priced winners such as Time Clash (25-f) and Wren Warbler (20-f).

Dick Hinder, the racing editor, said: "It was an achievement beating the specialist tipsters at their own game, and the members of the racing desk—George Rae, Rob Wright, James Willoughby and Vince Wright—all played their part. It was a team effort and we were rewarded for our consistency."

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It may be live, but is it worth taking time out?

being shown live on television. Overseas cricket tours. Formula One grands prix, international golf and many, many other events are now shown live on terrestrial and satellite television as a matter of course - regardless of the hour of the day. If catching it live means setting the alarm clock for the wee small hours, then Every rule, though, has if

not its exception, then certainly its sticking point; for me, the very stickiest point is Ameri-can football. At its simplest, the question is this - are any of our lives long enough to regularly dedicate the best pair of 3½ hours to watching a huge number of huge men haltering the shoulder pads

spent a full five days achieving draw with South Africa (leaving the series, after four games, thrillingly poised at 0-0), it is perhaps not the best time for Little Englanders to start throwing stones at other people's glasshouses, but what the heck? If tennis has started to worry about the time its top players spend not playing tennis, then it seems legitimate for this column to worry about the amount of time that we viewers spend not watching Ameri-

This new year holiday, for instance, traditionally one of the busiest and exciting times for the game, it could have been be an awful lot. Sky showed two lives games over the American Football Confer-



MATTHEW BOND TV ACTION REPLAY

ence play-off match between Buffalo Bills and Miami Dulphins followed by the National Football Conference game yesterday between Atlanta Falcons and Green Bay Packers, while tonight, NBC Superchannel is showing the Rose Bowl, the top college game. All in all, that is more than ten hours of television for three hours of actual

The committed enthusiast. of course, will have loved every live minute of it - and got through several crates of

David Powell looks

at the unique form

of an athletics boom

in the North East

IT MAY be only athletics and

not football, but there is some-

thing Keeganesque about Brendan Foster's contribution

to his chosen sport and life in

the North East of England. Foster, once the star performer, now directs a show that is the most prominent in Great

The London Marathon

apart, almost every leading

road or cross country event in

Britain takes place in the

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In the same way that Kevin

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has changed the lives of many

by influencing them to run. "It is not seeing 30,000 people

lined up on the day that gives

me the greatest pleasure, but seeing them go for runs on a

Tuesday night in Darlington.

or Morpeth, or ..." Foster

said, his list of towns endless.

murmurings over the week-

end, at the latest event in the

list of Foster productions, that

the sport is lining his pockets

while it loses money. One

coach wondered why prize-

money was so low, and once

again it was being said that

Foster should not be commen-

tating for the BBC on an event

in which he has a commercial

interest. Would be criticise it if

Foster defends his position

as head of Nova International.

which put on the Bupa Co

Durham cross country on Saturday, and his BBC in-

volvement. A conflict of inter-

ests? "If am being accused of

using a dual position to benefit

the sport, then I am guilty." he

said. "People say I have got a

vested interest, but it's a dual

The plain fact is that, with-

out Nova, cross country in

Britain would have left the

premiership long ago. The British Athletic Federation's

commitment has been almost

non-existent. "If we were not

doing it, who else would be?"

Foster said. This is an impor-

tant day for cross country

interest.

criticism was necessary?

There were the usual

these, too, are Foster's.

Britain.

country.

beer in the much-interrupted

This core following is precisely the sort of supporter that the satellite channel is after. bringing in, as it does, an audience that would be rated insignificant by terrestrial broadcasters but very signifi-cant indeed by satellite standards.

The fact that Channel 4, still probably American (corball's most visible promoter in this country, has to work in the ratings-ruled world of terrestrial television is reflected in its

Foster finds a home for cross country

the channel has returned to showing recorded highlights on Monday night, although this was shifted to last night for new year. The channel argues that the

normal day's delay allows the Atlanta-based team of Trans World International (producer of both The American Football Big Match and the stubbornly backwardlooking Blitz for the channel) to pick the best of the weekend's games and fit it into a more manageable 90 nunutes.

For those truly committed to the "live is best" principle, the alternative is to try to secondguess the best of the weekend's fixtures, often several weeks in advance. Get it right and you are leted on all sides, get it wrong and you are committed

Saturday night, there was no right choice for Sky. Of the two games available, both turned out to be unexciting runaways but that is the danger with

live television.

For the first time this year both Channel 4 and Sky will be showing live the conference championship matches and the Super Bowl on January 28. Given that both channels sensibly take their commentary from the host broadcaster (it is ABC's turn this year), the choice will depend on your preference of British anchor-man — the smooth Gary O'Reilly on Sky and the urbane Gary Imlach, now nearing veteran status on Channel 4.

However, with 34 hours to get through, there is no real

Lane recovers to set up final with Frost

BARRY LANE, the Europe Ryder Cup player from Berkshire, reached the final of the inaugural Andersen Consulting World Championship of Golf at Scottsdale. Arizona, when he came from behind to beat Masahiro than the came from behind to beat Masahiro when he came from behind to beat Masahiro Kuramoto, of Japan, by two holes (Mel Webb writes). Lane, who numbered Severiano Ballesteros and Bern-

hard Langer among his victims in the European section of the tournament, was two holes down at one stage, but played the more composed golf on the inward nine to put him into the 36-hole final against David Frost, of South Africa, with the winner taking home £660,000 and the runner-up £330,000. Frost, the only seeded player to reach the final stages, holed a six-foot birdie putt at the 17th to defeat Mark McCumber2 and I in the other semi-final.

Cup hosts shocked

FOOTBALL: South African football officials have expressed shock and disappointment at Nigeria's withdrawal from the African nations cup. The reigning champions have pulled out of the tournament this month after the players had received death threats. Solomon Morewa, the South African Football Association president, said that the Nigerians had been assured that they would be safe to compete. Clive Barker, the South Africa coach, said: "As a coach and a player, I am very, very disappointed." Nelson Mandela, the South Africa president, wants an international boycott of Nigeria after the executions, in November, of nine minority rights activists by the military government.

Laitinen injured

SKI JUMPING: Mika Laitinen, of Finland, was badly injured in a fall in practice in Garmisch-Partenkirchen yesterday, Laitinen, who leads the World Cup standings after winning five of nine events so far this season, was taken to hospital after breaking his left collarbone and five ribs on his first practice jump for the New Year's Day competition. Laitinen, 22, will remain in hospital for several days for observation and is expected to be out of competition for at

Successful return

TENNIS: Marc Rosset. right, marked his return to the game after an operation by securing victory for Switzerland on the opening day of the Hopman Cup mixed team tournament in Perth. Rosset beat Mark Philippoussis 6-3, 6-3 in the second singles as Switzerland comfortably overcame Australia 2-1 in their group B round-robin match. Martina Hingis also won her match, against Nicole Bradtke, 6-7, 6-3, 6-3. The Australians scored a conso-

lation doubles victory.



Steelers feel the cold

ICE HOCKEY: The match between Sheffield Steelers and Basingstoke Bison on Saturday evening was postponed because of icy conditions, which prevented a bus company from taking the Hampshire team to Yorkshire. The Steele were thus deprived of an opportunity to join Cardiff Devils at the head of the premier division. Nottingham Panthers took an early 4-0 lead against Slough Jets and then survived late pressure to hold on for a 10-8 win to remain in third

Weather suits Midlands

HOCKEY: Bad weather brought a disappointing end to the divisional tournament at Bristol, where play was abandoned on the third and final day on Saturday. The issue was still in doubt with one match to be played between Midlands and South West in both the under-17 and under-15 agegroups. On the basis of the results and performances of the first two days, however. Midlands were declared the winners and South West were deemed the runners-up in

England ring changes

BOWLS: Only three members of the England team that won two bronze medals in the 1992 world championships at Ayr - Norma Shaw, Mary Price and Jean Baker - have been retained for the women's world championship in Royal Learnington Spa from August 3 to 18. Edna Bessell and Barbara Till have been left out this time, while Shaw has surprisingly been relieved of her singles berth. TEAM, Singles: W. Line (Hampshire). Pairs: G. Fibbgerald (Northamptonehire), N. Shake (Durham). Tripletae: Line, J. Bakke (Darbyshire). M. Price (Buckinghamshire). Found: Shaw Bakke, Filogredae. Price.

Hall takes clear lead

BADMINTON: A comfortable 15-7, 15-1 victory over Colin Houghton in Portsmouth gave Darren Hall a commanding lead in the Friends Provident grand slam rankings after three tournaments. Joanne Muggeridge cruised to a convincing II-4. II-3 victory in the women's event over Tracey Hallam, who was playing in the first of three finals on the same day. She and Lee Boosey lost in the mixed doubles to Julian Robertson and Lorraine Cole, but, with Tracey Middleton, she won the women's doubles.

because it is the only event live on Grandstand. The rugby has left Shaun Edwards, the Wigan captain, at odds with in the first division Eagles swoop to take spoils

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

DETROIT Lions suffered the bewildering experience of scoring 37 points in their National Football League (NFL) play-off against Philadelphia Eagles, only to find themselves beaten by more than 20. The result, 58-37, represented the highest points aggregate in an NFL play-off

Rudney Peete threw two first-half touchdown passes and Barry Wilhurn and William Thomas returned interceptions for scores for the Eagles, who, in one run of play, recorded 44 unanswered

For the Lions, it was the type of play-off scenario that they have witnessed all too often. Despite entering the game with a seven-game winning

run behind them, they capitulated to their eighth defeat in nine play-off games. They game on the road since 1957.

Their misery started early as Philadelphia intercepted Scott Mitchell three times in the first half, with each turnover leading to a touchdown. From a defensive standpoint, we got a lot of turnovers," Ray Rhodes, the Eagles coach, said, "We created pressure on the quarter-

back early in the game."

Wayne Fontes, the Lions coach, was suitably contrite. They beat us in every way possible." he said "They deserved to win. We turned the ball over seven or eight times and you can't do that in a play-

In the other match decided on Saturday. Thurman Thomas led a punishing ground attack by Buffalo Bills which accrued 158 yards and a touchdown during a 37-22 defeat of Miami Dolphins in the American Football Conference (AFC)

wild-card play-off. The Bills rushed for an AFC play-off record of 341 yards, bettering San Diego Chargers' 1963 record of 318 against Boston Patriots The NFL record is 382 yards, by Chica-go Bears in 1940 against Washington Redskins.

"We're thrilled with our victory." Mary Levy, the Buffalo coach, said. "I'm tremendously pleased with how hard and well our team played. Thurman Thomas has a heart the size of Texas."

BCF to organise world event By PETER BRYAN

THE British Cycling Federation (BCF) last night an-nounced that it would be

appointing its own organising ream for the world track championships this year, which are taking place at the Manchester velodrome from August 28 to September 1. The decision follows what the BCF described as "a failure to agree final terms with Sport For

Television Group Limited". Last year, the BCF contracted Sport For Television Limited (which has since had three name changes) to organise the world series, but, at the annual meeting last month. BCF delegates were told that Sport for Television Group Limited. its successor company, was in financial trouble. Sport for Television Group

the BCF took over.

Limited pulled out of organising, at short notice, four planned track meetings at Manchester last year, includ-ing the national championships, the running of which

The decision to take over the world championships organisation was made at a special board meeting of the BCF on Saturday, which was called by Tony Doyle, its new president, who ousted fan Emmerson. the president for ten years, just a formight earlier. All eight BCF directors were present at the meeting, together with Emmerson, who was invited to attend as a director of the BCF promotion company that

will now be responsible for the championships For several years, Doyle, twice world professional pur suit champion and Great Bri ain's most successful six-day rider, has had close busines links with Sport For Tele vision, acting as a consultant

union has agreed to subsidis the championship series with a grant of £289,000, of which the BCF would retain £50,000 The balance of £239,000 wa to have been paid to Sport For Television under the terms of the original contract. This wi now go to BCF Promotion

Limited in nine equal monthly payments, starting next week The world series was firs held in Britain for the firs time since the Second World War in 1970 and returned in | Zermati 1982, on both occasions at the outdoor track at Leicester.

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out of each other? Born-again Wigan aim for seventh title success

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

directors' insistence on giving WEATHER and results perhome-grown youth its head mitting. Wigan can kick-start and a refusal to pitch headunother potential annus mirabilis today by taking their long into the transfer market. consecutive haul of Stones Apart from the offer of a Championship titles to seven. three-year contract to Junior It will be the last before an Tonu'u. the New Zealand rugabout-turn in the rugby league by union stand-off half, to calendar, which sees the seacover a definite weakness at son switching to the spring half back. Wigan seem prepared to stand or fall by their and summer months. What has been a formality youth policy at a time when

almost since September - at the side's pre-eminence can no point have Wigan, who are expect its severest test. The likes of Brisbane, Canat present four points clear of berra and Sydney Bulldogs. in Leeds, been led — will be completed, provided that the the European-Australasian game's perennial champions Super League play-offs in win their match at Warring-ton, starting at noon, and St September, represent a leap of GCSE to degree standard. Wigan's class of '96 can expect matical interest of Leeds three an examination for tougher

than any of their predecessors. With Wilderspool and At least the signs are prom-Knowsley Road emerging ising. Rob Smyth, an elusive from deep freeze - both young wing, receives another grounds are subject to earlyopportunity today, with Marmarning inspections - victin Offiah injured. Otherwise. tories for Warrington and it is the side that overwhelmed Leeds would only put off the

For Wigan, 1996 will be an

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REMAINING FIXTURES: Wigan: Today: Varrington (a), January 14. Sheffield Fagivs (a) January 21: Leed's fin fbar Bradiord Bulle: (ii) Leed's Todays: St Hylens (a) January 10: Oldham fin January 21, Wigan (a)

altogether more demanding

year. Will the Challenge Cup.

Wigan's since 1988, be a dis-

tracting preamble to the start

of the Super League at the end

of March? Being the best in

Great Britain is one thing,

champions of the world Super-

The Wigan team that beat

Brisbane Broncos in the last

world club challenge, in 1994,

was no less dominant domesti-

cally, but, rather than any vast

improvement on their part.

dramatic reversals in the for-

tunes of several past contend-

ers for the Stones Champion-

ship have ensured that Wigan

However, they no longer

have the services of exception-

of players such as Denis Bens.

Phil Clark and Franc Botica.

leaving the lightest squad at Central Park for years. Shem

Tatupu, the former Western

Samoa rugby union player, represented the only signifi-

vant signing in 1995, which

remain on their pedestal.

League is quite another.

a featherweight St Helens on Boxing Day. Warrington, too, see youth as their future, and, in Paul Sculthorpe and lestyn Harris. possess two of the country's exceptional talents. Harris is one of several injury doubts.

With Kelly Shelford absent. Chris Rudd moves to standoff, while the combination of Manua Thompson, the Fijian, and Salesi Finau, of Tonga. starts at centre for the first St Helens, like Warrington,

have their rearranged Regal Trophy semi-final on Thursday as a priority. Half the pack face fitness tests, but Scott Gibbs and Andy Northey, after injury, and Bubby Goulding, after sus-pension, are restored to the back line against Leeds.

For all that Leeds espouse their own junior system, the side keeps going back to its old troopers. The partnership of two 30-year-olds in Garry Schofield and George Mann is probably as good as any at half back. Graham Holroyd moves to full back for Leeds. who are aiming for a first win in eight years at St Helens to keep up their marginal championship interest.

On Huddersfield's heated pitch at the McAlpine Stadium, the rescheduled Bradfordversus-Halifax derby, also starting at noon, is guaranteed to beat the weather. Huddersfield played in the only match to go ahead yesterday, losing 22-10 at Dewsbury in their bottom-of-the-table encounter



Radcliffe, with Liz Talbot tracking her, leads the women's field confidently at Durham

racing has been cancelled; but, over all these years, we have never been embraced by the federation.

"We have always been treated poorly, shabbily. Nova are the biggest sponsors of British athletics and, if I was to treat my biggest sponsors the way the British federation treats us. I would not have any

Commercially, Northumberland and Durham councils, which support the events. are on to a winner. The television exposure has con-

tributed towards a 40 per cent rise in tourism and, when the world championships were staged in Durham last year. about \$500,000 was spent locally over the two days. "Of course it is commercial.

there are no philanthropists." John Caine. Nova's events manager, said. If this event did not make a profit, we would cancel it." Yet, like Foster, a former 3,000 metres world record-holder. Caine was an international athlete with empathy for the runners of today. On Saturday, the snow

caused Came to rethink his course. "I had to chop out a lot



Foster: flying the flag for North East

of the farmland because it is rutted, Caine said. "The welfare of the athletes is more important than the event. I do not want Paula's Olympic year ruined because she wrecked her ankle on a farm-

er's field in Durham." Paula - that is. Paula Radeliffe, Britain's former world junior cross-country champion - reaped the benefit of that decision, winning the women's race. Assefa Mezegebu, of Ethiopia, the world junior champion, was first home in the men's event.

Edwards. Edwards, Gateshead's first world champion. Caine. Gateshead's first international. "Neither Durham nor Northumberland have any grand stadiums, so they cannot aspire to staging international track meetings, but they

Caine's photograph appears on a wall at Gateshead stadi-

um, next to one of Jonathan

can aspire to road racing and cross-country events." Caine Foster's contribution, according to Caine, has been "to change people's attitudes" into believing that "big things can

come to the North East". Like Keegan, Foster says that there is no substitute for performing. "On a few occa-sions. I was the best runner in the world and that is the best seat in the house," he said. The second-best seat is to be the coach of the athlete who achieves that and the thirdbest seat is to be next to David Coleman talking about the people who are doing it. The fourth-best seat is to be organising the events." It was cold outside, but, once again

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Home captain's fear of defeat threatens to cast Test series into oblivion

recovers to set Cronje lacks courage to end stalemate

FROM ALAN LEB

GRICKET CORRESPONDENT
IN PORT ELIZABETH

PORT EUZABETH (final day of five): South Africa drew with England

AFTER the years of longing and the months of anticipation, the first England Test series in South Africa for three decades will be remembered as damp and dreary unless there is a fundamental change attitude when the final match begins in Cape Town tomorrow.

Blame was using a substitute widely and irrationally here widely and irrationally here yesterday, after a stultifying conclusion to the fourth Test. in the second some to the tourn acts at St George's Park. The truth is simple, if unpalatable. The game was consigned to obliving game was consigned to obliving game was consigned dared on because neither side dared Contain to lose, and if that approach prevails at Newlands this mark then a 0-0 draw, only week, then a 0-0 draw, only the fifth in a full series of Tests, and not easily be avoided.

South Africa has suddenly taken against Michael Atherton, firstly through inflated indignation over his reaction to being given out on the third day of the game and now because he is popularly being beld responsible for the negative outcome. In the nation's top Sunday newspaper, a ive outcome in the name of Smiles in sport"; it was not meant to be flattering, but neither was it

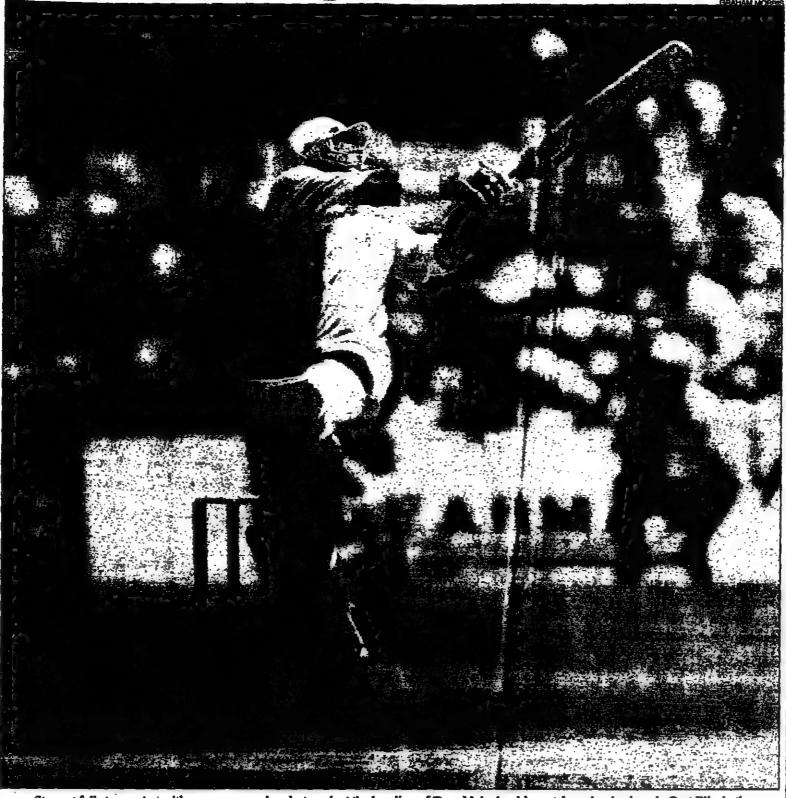
> Whatever criticisms may apply to Atherton for his uence upon the tedium of Saturday, more must be directed towards Hansie Cronje, his South Africa counterpart, whose disinclination to employ his most attacking bowlers and to set appropriate fields betrayed a revealing lack of faith in the ability of his team to bowl out England.

> England had been chasing the game from the moment that they lost the toss, and although a flurry of wickets on Friday afternoon offered them an unexpected sight of victory. it was so fleeting as to be illusory. On a pitch prohibit-ing aggression, and with a slow outfield, the odds against them scoring 308 runs on the final day were enormous, yet Cronje appeared to think

differently.
This was the second time in the series that the series that the job bowlers failed to finish the job when draumstances favoured them; here, they did not even come close. Yesterday, Cronje have himself whether he gave out the right signals of intent or whether, as the England players privately believe, he transmitted only an instinct for selfpreservation, a paranoia

about losing. South Africa have lost none of their past nine Tests under Cronje, a record of which he can be justly proud. Against England, however, it has been necessary sometimes to venture a risk or two in the quest for victory, and Cronje has been unwilling to do it. On Priday morning, he was personally assured by Ali Bacher, the managing director of the United Cricket Board of South Africa, that nothing would be held against him if he lost the match in the effort of trying to win it. Evidently, it was a wasted message.

In fairness, this was difficult pitch to win on and it was only because England batted so poorly in their first innings, and South Africa so carelessly in their second, that anything other than a draw entered the equation. Those with long memories say that produced such slow surfaces, in which case the fact that this



time. Stewart fails to connect with a rare aggressive shot against the bowling of Donald during his match-saving innings in Port Elizabeth

bewäldering statistic. 60,000 over the five days, sat further complicated because a patiently through it all, sustained as much by the marvel-lous brass band as by the cricket. Tolerance will wear decide if it can take the more than 103,000 tickets have been sold and capacity houses are virtually guaranteed.

The Newlands groundsman is Andy Atkinson, whose final Test pitch at Edgbaston,

BOUTH APPROLE First Innings

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South Africa won four

was only the second draw in 14 where he worked until 1993; Tests at the ground is a helped to give Atherton's tenure as captain a bleak start. The crowd, more than The usual pitch guesswork is relaid strip is being used and only after careful study of it will the England management additional bowler, promoting

Robin Smith to No 3. At least one change has been forced upon England by the thigh injury to Mark Ilott, and Angus Fraser will proba-

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Total (120.4 overs, 476min) 263 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-50, 3-88, 4-163, 5-166, 5-199, 7-200, 8-258, 9-263

BOWLING: Donald 25.4-7-49-3; Pollock 22-8-58-3; Adams 37-13-75-3; Mat-thews 20-7-42-0; McMillian 15-6-90-1; Cronje 1-1-0-0.

SOUTH AFRICA: Second innings

A C Hudson c Russell b Martin ... (7min. 12 bels)

ENGLAND: First Innicos

bly have a chance to revive his career once more. He has dropped for the third Test, working extensively on his physical fitness as well as bowling for hour after hour in the nets. "I feel I could run in and bowl in a blindfold at the

Alec Stewart has occasionallooked as if he was batting blindfold during this series and his position as Atherton's opening partner was under increased threat after his

G Nimber c (flingworth & Mertia., 287min, 176 balls, 8 fours)
"W J Cronje c Russell & Mertin., (25min, 18 balls, 1 four)
D J Cullinan at Russell & flingwort, (80min, 57 balls, 1 four)
J N Rhodes Bor b Contr., (13min, 8 balls)

Total (D wids dec. 65.3 page, 294min) 182

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-18, 3-60, 4-65, 5-69, 6-69, 7-135, 8-146, 9-160

ENGLAND: Second linings

G P Thorpe not out (50min, 34 balls, 2 lours)

(23min, 13 balls) P R Adems not out ... (0min, 3 balls)

Boson (b 8, 15 7, w 1, nb 5)

thoughtless first-innings dismissal. By betting through all but the dregs of Saturday for 81 — his first half-century as an opener in 18 Test innings he not only ensured that this game was safe but also guaranteed that he would playing in the next one.

especially against Allan Donaid, whose figures are a mockery of the constant threat that he presented. In mid-afternoon, when he defeated Stew-

13-0; Rimten 2-1-1-0 (one spett).
SCORING NOTES: Fifth day: Lunch:
80-0 (37 overs, 157mm) Atherton 30,
Slewart 41. Tat: 134-1 (68 overs,
277mm) Slewart 67, Gallian 14. Second
new ball. 166-2 (84 overs) at 4.28pm.
Match closed at 5.02pm after eight
overs of Shall hour.

Match and G Kinston.

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art comprehensively, only to

43, had given way to a pedestrian pace and, early though it was, one sensed that hoth teams had already settled on the outcome. Adams, nevertheless, operated for most of the remaining Edras (b.9, tb.8, w 1, nb.5) play and, for one of such Total (3 wkts, 92 overs, 369min) . 189 novice status, was deeply im-FALL OF WICKETS: 1-84 (Stewart 41), 2-157 (Stewart 76), 3-167 (Thorpe 5). pressive. He made greater use 2-157 (Stewart 76), 3-167 (Thorpe 5).
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20-40, 43-1-0, 3-16-0, 10-4-0), Donald 19-4-60-1 (nb. 2, w 1; 2-0-9-0, 7-1-30-0, 52-11-0, 4-1-10-1); Adums 25-13-51-1 (3-2-4-0, 9-2-5-0, 14-8-18-1, 2-1-4-0); McMillen 14-6-16-0 (nb. 3, 2-1-3-0, 7-8-4-0, 3-2-1-0, 2-0-4-0); Motthews 19-10-29-1 (7-3-12-0, 7-6-4-1, 5-1-13-0); (Gratian 2-1-1-0 (one spell).

of the chinaman than in the first innings and, though it is telegraphed by a change of action and is invariably bowled flatter and quicker than the googly, it caused problems and took a wicket, Jason Gallian's vigilant 28 ending with a misjudgment.

edge and whistle past leg

stump for four, Donald sank

slowly and symbolically to his

knees. Two hours later, with

the game long since comatose,

he finally got his man. Bafflingly, Cronje kept Paul

Adams waiting for his first

lunch, and it was not entirely

explained by his preference for

a softer ball. By then, the

opening hour, in which Eng-

land scored an encouraging

The 232 minutes spent at the crease by Atherton, for 34 runs, increased his batting time for the series beyond 25

The South African media appears to think that he has PESSULTS: First Test (Presonal): masch chaim. Second Test (Lohannesburg): match down. Third Test (Durban): metch down. outstayed his welcome; but Atherion has aggregated 380 tuns and Cronje a mere 101. In all senses, the latter is the TEST TO COME: Fifth (Caps Town): January 2 to 6. captain carrying the greater burden into the final Test.

Bold strokes in short supply especially from the captains



JOHN WOODCOCK

At the Test

t was a pity that the fourth Test between South Africa and England had to finish in anticlimax in Port Elizabeth on Saturday, though it was all too predictable that it would. Neither side was prepared to take any sort of a risk in going for victory, and the groundsman had produced a pitch that looked at the end as though it would have lasted another

If not the curse of Test cricket, the fear of losing has always been a constant factor. Occasionally, someone like Michael Slater comes along and dashes away with the smoothing iron, but there are very few with the ability and the spirit and the confidence to do that.

The second hour of play on Saturday was conclusive enough. Because England had scored 43 in the first hour, towards the 308 that they needed in the day, South Africa dropped the field back and nothing happened. England, even with all their wickets intact, went for half an hour without scoring a run off the bat, and the first 105 minutes of the morning passed without Adams, South Africa's "secret weapon", getting a bowl. By Junch, there-

fore, all was revealed. It made for a ponderous day's cricket, lightened only when Adams was bowling and by the presence in the crowd of a brass band with a catchy, albeit limited, repertoire. The atmosphere that this created was wonderfully convivial. Up to a point, it alleviated the stodginess of what was going on in the

Very rarely in a Test match played in glorious weather, and lasting the full five days, can an adjudicator have had such difficulty finding a worthy winner of the man-of-thematch award.

That, itself, is a commentary on the cricket. It was not inappropriate that Gary Kirtwo half-centuries, is a dogged, unquestionably limited performer. Nobody at any stage managed really to impose himself on the match, unless it was Martin at the start of South Africa's second innings when his figures, after an hour's play, were a remarkable 7-7-0-2.

Of the II former Test captains that I have watched in action in South Africa - Clive van Ryneveld, Jackie McGiew, Trevor Goddard, Peter van der Merwe, Ali Bacher and Kepler Wessels of the home country, Peter May and Mike Smith of England, and Bobby Simpson and Bill Lawry of Australia - none was renowned for his boldness. When they won Test matches, it was mainly because they had the bowlers to do it for them.

Otherwise, they were nelther more or less broody than Atherton and Cronie, It helps, too, of course, to have in one's side batsmen of the calibre of Graeme Pollock and Barry Richards

Flying down from Port Elizabeth to Cape Town yes-terday, I was reminded of the flight that we had into Cape Town from Johannesburg exactly 39 years ago, when the England and South Africa n teams were in separate aircraft.

On the way, England's plane was overtaken by South Africa's, visible on the starboard side, and the captain of England's flight conveyed the following message from the South African cricketers "So, you fly as slowly as you bat." On Christmas Eve, the first day of the Test series. Peter

Richardson had batted all day for England and made only 69. On Boxing Day, England crawled along to 268. made in 118.5 eight-ball overs. Yet they won the match because they had the bowling to do so. Now, they do not; on Saturday, South Africa did not

structive than had been widely anticipated, seeing Adams bowl was the match's main attraction. He was a breath of fresh air.

South Africa's faster bowling asks some serious questions of the batsmen, but, after a while, it becomes increasingly tedious to watch. Trevor Bailey, as well-versed a pundit as there is, and a commentator in Port Elizabeth, contended there that the South Africa attack was as relentless in its efficiency as any that they can ever have fielded. They certainly know how to make themselves very difficult to plunder, but the line and length which they use to do so are often too mean to

be really menacing. In 1956-57, Bailey himself played against a much betterbalanced attack and, to my mind, a distinctly stronger one. If Donald and young Shaun Pollock are the equa of Peter Heine and Neil Adcock, there was a finesse about Hugh Tayfield and Goddard all those years ago, that would. I think, have won the Test match for South Africa on Saturday. Tayfield was a fiendishly effective sion in the air.

ut that is a diversion. Adams's future as a Test bowler is difficult to predict. He is nothing like as perplexing yet as Shane Warne, mainly because he bowls only googlies and has no comparable powers of spin. He has a flatter, quicker ball that runs on towards the leg stump, but it is not a chinaman. His srip of the naman. His grip of the ball, between forefinger and thumb, is so extraordinary. and his action so twisted, that one wonders whether he can ever command the chinaman or, for that matter, avoid having trouble with his back. One can well see that, on a dusty pitch, one that enhances his spin, he could run through a side; but, in Test ericket, he is going to find precious few of those. At Port Elizabeth, on a pitch that held together too well and was short of bounce. his bowling, for all its fascina-

tion, lacked variety. Against that, he is still only 18 and in the early stages of the learning process. If he does have a fruitful Test career, the game will be much the more entertaining for it.

Warne reaches third Test half-century SHANE WARNE became the Lanka, having resumed at 284

first bowler in the history of Test cricket to take 50 wickets in a calendar year for three years in succession as he and Glenn McGrath quickly wrapped up the Sri Lanka second innings at Melbourne on Saturday.

Australia, needing only 41 runs for victory to take a winning 2-0 lead in the series, knocked off the runs in 7.4 overs to win by ten wickets.

Warne, who did the hattrick against England on the same ground last winter, had an opportunity to repeat the feat after getting rid of Wickremasinghe and Muralitharan with successive deliverics, only for Jayantha Silva, who was playing his first Test,

to foil his fellow spinner. Arjuna Ranatunga, the Sri Lanka captain, who needed a pain-killing injection in an injured hand, was unbeaten with II when the innings closed, Warne and McGrath each having taken two wickets in the brief passage of play. Sri for six, managed only 23 more runs, having entertained hopes of being able to set some sort of fourth-innings

McGrath, who has advanced to the position of Australia's leading fast bowler, ahead of McDermott. took the man-of-the-match award.

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FAIL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-97, 3-189, 1-172, 5-55, 5-174, 7-205, 6-306, 9-306 6;0WLPIG MicGrath 33,5-5-6-2-2, Mic-Darmott 17-1-54-1, Failing 20-7-59-2, Warns 37-10-77-4; M E Watugh 9-0-19-1. Umpires: D Heir (Australia) and S.Dunne

from the miseries of an English winter than to travel abroad to support the England cricket team? It is an increasingly popular pursuit. as the mindless antics of the Barmy Army have recently made people aware.

Some 2,000 Englishmen were in Port Elizabeth for the fourth Test match and at least 3,000 are expected for the fifth Test in Cape Town tomorrow. These excursions are not simply about watching sport; they are about sun, sea, sand and serendipity.

Those Englishmen at St George's Park in Port Elizabeth on Saturday who went along with an open mind got the treat of a lifetime. They forgot their seats in the impressive but soulless Duck Pond Pavilion that their travel companies had reserved and migrated to the unreserved seats in the old grandstand, where a perch on the mughlyhewn terracing cost just nine rand (about EL80).

These sents are a special place on South African cricket a time to care. Just occasional-

Brass band steals a march on the Barmy Army priced low to attract every section of the country's society The United Cricket Board of South Africa (UCBSA) is also rightly anxious that the more exotic aspects of African culture should not be lost to its sports fields, which is why it has asked the local communities at all the grounds on England's tour to bring their musicians with them.

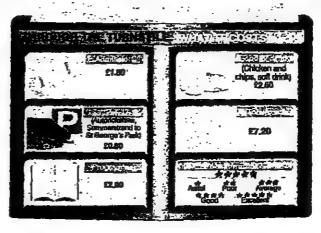
That is what brought the King George's Brass Band, drawn from three local churches, to Port Elizabeth, and blacks, Coloureds and. whites flocked to join the carnival. From somewhere near the shadowy centre of the seething mass of humanity that crammed itself into the old grandstand, this band created an atmosphere special even by the standards of this and other recent tours to South Africa.

Even before the lunch interval, it was pretty clear that the match was going to end in a draw, but it mattered not; everyone was having too good

Simon Wilde finds that local musicians called the tune during the fourth Test

ly, there would be a demand for an England wicket; slightly more often a salute to Paul Adams, the Cape Coloured, who is the first but by no means the last exotic bird to come out of the new South Africa. Far more important was another rendition of Stand By Me.

Not only did the newly enfranchised peoples of South Africa bring themselves to these terraces, they also brought their lives. Even as they swayed to the music. couples embraced and mothers fed their children. One of the most remarkable sights was the eagerness of non-



Afrikaner cricketers from hawkers. Yet, when someone down below raised the old South African flag, the band immediately struck up Nkosi Sikelel'iAfrika and a dozen of the country's new flags filled

> Throughout all this, the Barmy Army, not being instrumentalists, stood in front of the Castle bar on the opposite side of the ground, drinking their beer in stultified silence. Rarely had they had their thunder so comprehensively stolen.

Lunch was an interruption, though welcome nonetheless. Spicy chicken cooked at Nando's bragi and gaten under the palm trees of St George's Park provided another flavour of South Africa and came, courtesy of a favourable exchange rate for the British traveller, cheap at

Back in the stand, the party was still going strong, with the 20 members of the band showing few signs of the fifthday fatigue that was obviously

whites to buy photographs of afflicting the cricketers. Many the youngest, a horn player, just ten years old. Although the previous day, Ali Bacher, the managing director of the UCBSA, had presented them with 5,000 rand, the band is not paid to appear. They have asked to accompany the South Africa team to the World Cup in Pakistan next month and the board would like them to go, if the necessary sponsorship can be found.

As the match petered out. the band bade farewell to England with Swing Low, Sweet Chariot before playing the national anthems of both teams. Then, when stumps were drawn, the South African players came over and applauded the band and its followers. Finally, with the ground almost empty, the Barmy Army ventured its first tuneless chant of the day, but the King George's Brass Band was still on the ground and not to be outdone. It went over to the Castle bar and gave the Army a private concert. Its victory was complete. -

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Jones, craft and guile unite to bring down another fortress



Kinnear: familiar refrain

tion trouble. No. Perhaps I had better rephrase that. Wimble don, the FA Carling Premiership's kicking - no. that will not do

beat Arsenal 3-1 at Arsenal by playing better football. Wimbledon scored three goals, one with guile. one with craft, one with inspiration, and that was more than enough to dismay Arsenal.

The guile came from a chap called Jones - Vincent, or Vinnie if you must. It was his free kick that created the chance to level the scores after Arsenal had scored a nice opening goal through Wright. Jones, fouled on the touchline. got up to take the free kick himself.

He turned back to the ball just two

steps into measuring out an elabo-

rate run-up, whipped the ball into

heels. Adams, the leader of the Arsenal defence, would probably have read that one, but he dropped out half-an-hour before kick-off

with a stomach upset.

Jones has had an exciting week. Sent off for an awful foul on Guilit on Boxing Day, he followed up with a tabloid diatribe (What was the deal? Lots of money and pay my fine?) against all foreigners. It was as much Corporal as Vinnie Jones. "They don't like it up 'em!" He now faces a disrepute charge, you will be unsurprised to hear.

However, on Saturday, Jones's most significant contribution. apart from a wonderfully wolfish grin at the end, was a genuinely effective piece of midfield stoppery. In the match programme, Platt had boasted about the immaculate timing of his late surges into the box. On Saturday, he hardly made one. He did not seem to fancy it.

Simon Barnes enjoys watching Wimbledon reach their best to beat Arsenal at Highbury

Jones is an effective player when he is not sliding about on his back with his stude in the air; but he has only one serious rival for the most hated footballer in England, and that is Eric Cantona.

Both sum up all that is most resented about their two clubs. Cantona's peacock swagger encap-sulates Manchester United: rich, powerful, fed like Strasbourg geese on privilege: a spirit of unalloyed

Jones's lupine aggression is pure Wimbledon. Not much of a player. but loves to win, to cock a snook, to put one over the arrogant rich, to hang the aristocrats from the lamppost. With Cantona, Manchester United insist on aristocracy. With

Thus Wimbledon outplayed and overwhelmed Arsenal Kimble. their left back, provided the best crosses of the match, and it was his free kick that put Wimbledon ahead, as it was headed in by the waspish finisher

The third goal was a beauty. It started from a long clearance by Perry, deftly headed on by Holdsworth, and there was Earle, surging through from midfield with, well. immaculate timing, to pick the ball up and chip the

It was a goal-of-the-month contender and its perfection was enough to inspire Joe Kinnear, the Wimbledon manager, into a knee-jerk rendition of the club's national unthem. "Yeah. you all write this:

We was lucky as 'ell, we didn't play football, we deserve to go down." he scoffed bitterly.

"I mean. 'oddle plays a long ball and you lot all go, ooh, what a beautiful pass. If we do the same thing, oh, it's Wimbledon playing route one as usual ... Yeah, I know we got enemies, people that 'are the chub and 'ate me."

Yes, Joe, but what if they did not? Could Wimbledon keep going without hate, without the constant need for defiance, for the summoning up of heart and spirit?

In some ways, Wimbledon are the most important dub in the Premiership. They stand for de-mocracy; more, they stand for It is not that hard to get into the

top division. Even Reading almost managed it last year; squeaked out by Bolton Wanderers in the play-- but Bolton are on course for

on, and sometimes done rather better than that, since 1986, and they picked up the FA Cup. too. They do so by a combination of spirit and sales. Kinnear briefly and cold-heartedly ran through various members of his squad who would fetch a handsome profit: Jones happens to be on the list himself, at his own

He would be something of a loss purely as a talisman, but the tradition of defiance can survive without him, as it has done before. "No one likes us. we don't care." Do not tell anyone, but Wimbledon can play a bit, too, when the mood is with them.

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Striker's inconsistency highlighted as Rangers gain honour in defeat at Old Trafford

Flickering Cole ignites United title pursuit

Queens Park Rangers .. 1

By MICHAEL HENDERSON

MANCHESTER United did not play like champions on Saturday: nor did Queens Park Rangers betray the clumsiness of a team living in fear of relegation. So do appearances deceive? Only a dunce would deny that United can regain the FA Carling Premiership title and no wise man would say with certainty that Rangers will not go down.

United shaded it after a display that did not begin to compare to their victory over Newcastle United, which set Mancunian tongues wagging. Goals by Cole and Giggs proved enough to overcome opponents who gave a good account of themselves - or "ourself", as Dichio, their goalscorer, evidently preferred: yet another example of that Esperanto known as footballspeak.

If these teams are to meet at this level next season, Ray Wilkins has much to do and little time in which to do it. He must strengthen his side, but, as the manager of a poorly supported club, he does not have the money. Mind you, as he will have noted. Bolton Wanderers have been splashing out recently like merry matelots and a lot of joy it has brought them.

On another day, and at another ground, they might have plucked three valuable points. "We had them on the hop a bit," Wilkins said, and it is true that Rangers might have scored three times before Cole, with his one contribution of note, sent United in one-up with a headed goal on the stroke of half-time. Allen hit the bar with a right-foot shot

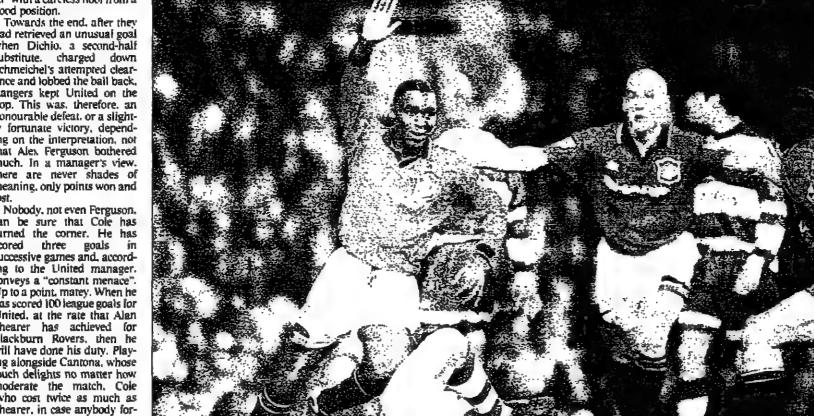
ed" with a careless hoof from a

had retrieved an unusual goal when Dichio, a second-half substitute, charged down Schmeichel's attempted clearance and lobbed the ball back. Rangers kept United on the hop. This was, therefore, an honourable defeat, or a slightly fortunate victory, depending on the interpretation, not that Alex Ferguson bothered much. In a manager's view. there are never shades of meaning, only points won and

can be sure that Cole has turned the corner. He has three goals in successive games and, according to the United manager. conveys a "constant menace". Up to a point, matey. When he has scored 100 league goals for United, at the rate that Alan Shearer has achieved for Blackburn Rovers, then he will have done his duty. Playing alongside Cantona, whose touch delights no matter how moderate the match. Cole (who cost twice as much as Shearer, in case anybody forgets) can look dozy.

Ferguson, understandably. offered United's Christmas schedule as a reason for their unconvincing performance. To play, and lose, at Liverpool and Leeds United, and then meet Newcastle is a demanding programme for a team that contains so many young players, however talented. Today, they visit Tottenham Hotspur. Even computers don't love us," Ferguson said

William Prunier, the baiding Frenchman from Bordeaux, made an encouraging debut at centre half, defending



Cole, left, celebrates his opening goal for Manchester United with Prunier, centre, who played a significant role in its creation, and Keane

nificant part in Cole's goal with a header, from Giggs's corner, that forced Sommer to parry. Ferguson withheld judgment on his latest recruit. knowing that the game at White Hart Lane will provide

That United need to reinforce the centre of their de-

a more reliable indication of his ability.

fence is not in doubt. Bruce's career has run its course and May is a bumping weight. Gary Neville, who continues to cover for the lame, is a versatile defender, as well as a gifted one, and may yet have the apritude for the job. Otherwise, it is out with the big red

cheque book. Irwin, that underrated defender, played in both full back positions as Ferguson used all three substitutes, and helped to make the second goal, for Giggs, when he

DURING a recent industrial

dispute. a striker who had

been obliged to make serious

economies asserted that "ev-

eryone has a right to have a

car". Some Norwich City sup-

porters seem to think that they

have a right to an FA Carling

Premiership club playing in

European competition, never

mind the necessary financial

After Norwich had squan-

dered a 3-1 lead at home to

Reading on Saturday, some of

wich's disenchanted followers.

the more aggressive of Nor-

predominantly under 25, gath-

ered outside the main en-

trance, yet again chanting abuse at Robert Chase, the

chairman, for the departure of

players and managers to more

and kids?" they sang. Observ-

ing their demeanour. I was

tempted to wonder whether

some of them, offered the millions that Norwich re-ceived for Chris Sutton and

Ruel Fox. might have jumped

at such an offer for their

equation is finely-balanced. The progress of the club.

against whose present but

relative misfortune the specta-

tors protest, has been remark-

able, given their provincial

It is to be expected, nonethe-

less, that the club is unable to

pay the hundreds of thou-

sands a year demanded by the

likes of Sutton and Fox, and

that it cannot meet the transfer

nearest and dearest.

city status.

"Have you sold your wife

prosperous clubs.

equation for that status.

ploughed regardless through the Rangers defence. He was assisted by some carpet-slippers tackling. If that is how Rangers intend to defend, then Wilkins will die a thousand deaths before May.

There was one compensation, however. Nigel Quashie, 17, a midfield player from south London, made his debut and, though he did not turn up any trees, he never looked out being "thrilled" by his performance. "We took him on a summer trip to Italy when he was only lo and he was the best midfield player on show," he said. "I said then that he would play before Christmas

and I was nearly right." When Barker returns from injury, and if they can get something out of Hateley, Rangers will be better equipped to cope with their winter struggle. Wilkins is an

though short of class, is full of good intentions. As he knows full well, good intentions are

MANCHESTER UNITED (4-4-2): P Schmeichel — Dirwin, G Neville W Phuner, P Neville (sufc. P Perker 55min) — D Beddnam (sufc. L, Sharpe 89), N Butt, R Kearre, R Glogs — E Carrions, A Cote (sufc. 8 McClair 55) o mouerroo; CUEENS PARK RANGERS (4-4-2); J Sommer — D Berdsley (sub. N Reedy 70), D Maddor, S Yahs, R Brevet: — A Impey, I Indoway, N Quanhe, M Brazer — B Atlen (sub: D Dicho 46), T Snotar

Rebel clubs withdraw resignations

BY DAVID MADDOCK

THE first division clubs that had threatened to break away from the Football League, and effectively end its 108-year existence, withdrew their letters of resignation last night. After a weekend of tense negotiations, their main demands have been met the most significant of which will be an attempt by the Football League Management Committee to renegotiate its £125 million contract with Sky

The first division clubs had walked out of a meeting of all the 72 clubs on Friday. Twenty of the top clubs had placed letters of resignation in trust. threatening to use them before the deadline, yesterday, for clubs wishing to leave the Their main objection had

been to the lack of consultation over the five-year television deal. Many of the more powerful clubs had felt that there was more money to be earned from Sky by accepting an offer to negotiate jointly with the FA Premier League.

The Premier League is hoping for upwards of £800 million when it begins negotiand the first division clubs believe that the Football League could get as much as £200 million as its share of the lucrative cake. At present, the deal negotiated with Sky gives first division clubs. on average, £800,000 a year



David Miller sees a chairman

come under further fire after

ine that Norwich can some-

der in the marketplace with

Manchester United or Liver-

There are, of course, legiti-

mate debates on detail. For

example, that Chase should

have seen the risk of losing

Walker and acted earlier to try

to keep him. Yet Walker's

nature was destined to yield to

a high bidder. You had only to

see him dressed like a dance-

band leader when he arrived

Maybe Chase should have

appointed a replacement with

a better pedigree than the likeable John Deehan last

year. Maybe O'Neill was not

given enough suprort from

promotion bid this season.

at Goodison Park.

his club's 3-3 draw with Reading

Norwich supporters slow to come

to terms with life out of fast lane

Martin O'Neill considered necessary to their successful management.
During Norwich's entire existence, the club has had an

deals that Mike Walker and

investment of capital of less than £150,000. All their recent success — third and fourth in the senior division. European competition and two FA Cup semi-finals — has been achieved on a working budger.

Those jeering Chase and the board should pause to consider that Norwich have gate receipts of £2.6 million against a wage bill for players and coaching staff of £3.4 million. The difference is met by peripheral commercial enterprise. Those not old enough to know the difference imag-

There was boardroom dis-

Yet. Norwich are sensibly running a tight ship. Chase has taken hard decisions now, rather than when the club might have become over-stretched. He offered to quit within a month if any individual or consortium could produce a viable package, bankguaranteed. None was forth-

coming.
"We're in a Catch-22 situation." he said on Saturday. We've whetted the appetite of football followers in Norfolk.

On New Year's Day last year, we were fifth in the Premiership, with the best defensive record, but then went to pieces. We're only four points off the second team in the promotion race. It only needs two or three wins to bring us how stand shoulder to shoulback in line."

The match turned partially on missed Norwich openings, partially on an injury to Johnson, their striker, who was carried off after 62 minutes. At this point, Jimmy Quinn. Reading's joint player-manager. and Dylan Kerr replaced Lambert and Mc-Pherson.

Within ten minutes. Nogan ran through to shoot in off a post and make the score 3-2. Eight minutes from time, Newman, substitute for the unfit and almost immobile Molby, on loan from Liverpool, grazed a Reading post. Within moments, Kerr stunned Gunn, a six-man Norwich wall and the home

crowd with a superb free kick from 22 yards that flew into the top right-hand corner. Lambert had opened the score early on, Johnson had

headed the equaliser after 20 minutes and Ward and Fleck had put Norwich 3-1 ahead early in the second half. It was, indeed, a victory wasted. Wass, Intelect. 2 VICTORY Wasted.
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McGhee's optimism punctured by brave comeback

Wolverhampton W . Portsmouth ...

BY IVO TENNANT THREE matches into his

stewardship of Wolverhampton Wanderers and Mark McGhee has yet to gain a victory. He is not deterred by that: Graham Taylor did not win much, either. His conversation is not of avoiding relegation but of reaching the Endsleigh League first divi-sion play-offs, of building a

team worthy of its stadium. This is bombastic talk for a manager whose club was three places off the bottom of the table at the start of play. Wolverhampton supporters. however, expect nothing less than optimism. They have been told often enough that the infrastructure is in place for success of the kind that Blackburn Rovers have enjoyed, not least in the form of the undersoil heating that enabled this match to go ahead while other fixtures

were called off. The conditions were not much fun for anybody. Still, for a club primarily concerned with impending relegation, whatever the new manager might say, to be able to attract 25,000 on such a bleak day tells of immense potential.

In that they were 2-0 ahead at half-time, Wolverhampton should have won. Their goals, scored through a predatory follow-up by Bull and a strong header from Goodman, came from weak defending. Portsmouth, it seemed, had no stomach for a scrap and still less for the white-out that necessitated the use of an orange ball. Until the second half, that was, when Ports mouth's first goal was scored by a forward whose career has caused disquietude. As a winger with Millwall, Carter attracted first Liverpool, and then Arsenal, Large sums o money changed hands. In thi summer, when he left High bury for Portsmouth, his worth was no more than a free

transfer. No impetus has come from this move. "I am always beint taken off or blamed if thing are not going well." Carte said before requesting a trans fer on Friday. In this match he played in a wide midfield position. The talent that ha been latent for too many of hi 30 years came to the fore early in the second half when spotting Stowell too far off hi line, he struck the kind of sho from some 25 yards that h can rarely have struck since h

Terry Fenwick, his manag er, did not substitute him now indeed. Portsmouth were soor commanding midfield, thei increased possession resultin in an equaliser by Burton afte Butters's initial attempt wa parried. Talk about play-off v. was muted after that

McGhee is, by his ow, admission, an impatient mar it took him a year to mak Leicester City play the wathat he wanted and anythin less than that with his nev club would be unrealist thinking. He would like f bring in new players, a: though he says that he confident that those he posesses already can improve He is a plausible manage with an enhanced sense & public relations. Substance o the pitch will be another

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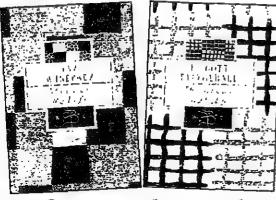
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McManaman helps Liverpool to escape as Hoddle's men do half the job

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By Rob Hughes FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

TERRY VENABLES, the national team coach, was at Stamford Bridge on Saturday to see two teams trying to play with a shape similar to that which he is impressing on England. He was one of 31,137 people who saw that the culture is half developed in England. Both teams adopted variations on 3-5-2; to some extent, they mastered the techniques required, but the passion and pace bred into English players pulled them out of shape, offered far more chances than the four goals reflect, and showed that British football is still some way from catching up with much of the rest of the Continent.

"We know what we are doing," Glenn Hoddle, the Chelsea manager, said. "We need to get the ball down and to pass it. Our players certainly have learnt that off the back of our European experience; but, most important, we still have to try to instil patience anto the supporters. They need to be turned in."

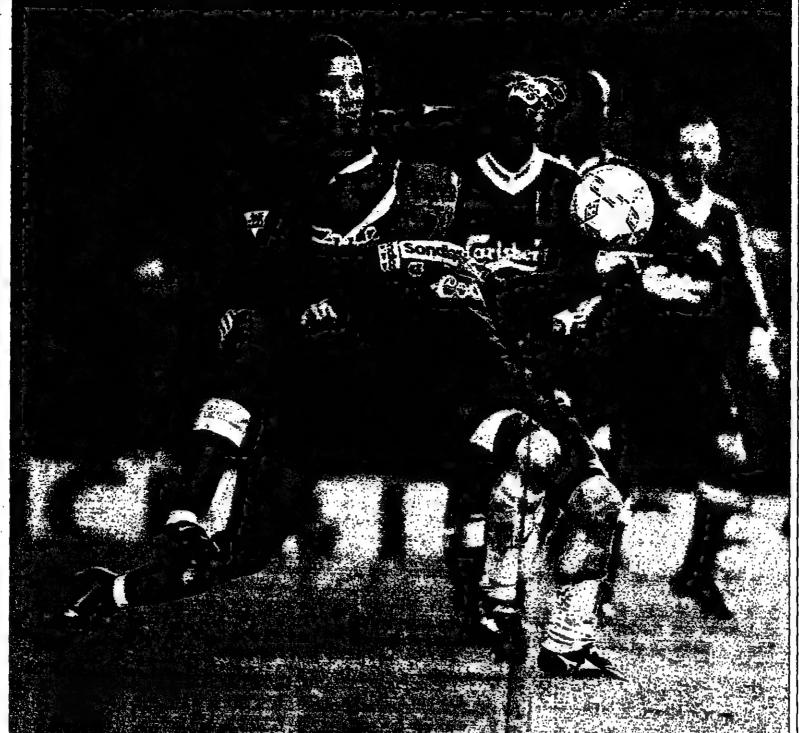
The whole conundrum in a

Results and tables Today's action

nutshell from a man whose own playing days were a contest of his worldly elegance with the boot of English League fare. It was hard, on Saturday, to blame the speciators. Those who had paid EIS to sit in the uncovered Shed End were doused by freezing rain. Doused, but not downhearted, because John Spencer popped up twice from midfield to score fine goals. Indeed, near the end, he struck a post, and was that close to being the first Chelsea player in six years to equal Kerry Dixon's feat of scoring a hat-trick.

Yet, because Chelsea did not quite believe that they could master the best passing side in came woefully negative and invited Liverpool to attack them in the second half, two even finer goals from Steve McManaman neutralised the game and kept Liverpool, just, in the championship race.

So much at Cheisea is half measure. The boardroom quarrel is half patched up, the ground half built and more than half of the squad is on the treatment table. Above all, the revolution that Hoddle is try-Early on. it looked as if they



James, the Liverpool goalkeeper, gets to grips with Spencer as the Chelsea forward attempts an overhead kick. Photograph: Marc Aspland

could beat their visitors. Roy Evans, the Liverpool manager, said: "We defended quite poorly. If you play three at the back, they have to be positive. Our three made problems for themselves and, by the end, I was pleased with the character the team showed in coming

Spencer exposed that negligent defending after only nine minutes. Gullit had drawn Harkness to him with a run down the right; Petrescu intelligently cut inside with the ball and produced an angled pass. did all that a little fellow has to

do against Wright, a 6ft 3in defender. He delayed his run, then he cut across his man and rose 18 inches off the ground to volley the ball past James. Venables would have noted

the speed of the counter-attack with delight; but he knows that none of the three men involved is English. McManaman certainly is, If

only Venables can be persuaded to liberate him, the way Liverpool do, to run at defenders from a central position instead of being pinned to the left flank. He is far more of a threat when seemingly hemmed in by opponents. He has the cheek of the devil, as one dummy to bemuse Gullit demonstrated, and he can be quite deadly in his finish. McManaman equalised

after 33 minutes. Barnes persuaded McAteer to advance down the right and, though his cross appeared to strike the arm of Fowler, play was allowed to proceed and McManaman drove the ball in from the edge of the penalty

Towards half-time, Chelsea's ambition swelled anew. They could have had two more goals but for the lack of a touch from Furlong and Spencer. The Scot atoned on the stroke of half-time by wriggling free of Harkness to queeze home his second goal.

The Liverpool response was ugly. The three central defenders lost discipline, concentration and temper. Harkness was booked for a tackle on Gullit, Wright for a late challenge on Furlong and Scales for an even later one on Wise.

pied trying to quell the surges of McManaman. He lost him second time in the 78th minute when, after nine Liverpool passes, Collymore unselfishly laid the ball back and

was delivered, crisp and clean, from 20 yards. Chelsea resumed an attacking formation and Wise should have scored, but dived too late to Gullit's crossball. Then Gullit, from ten yards, mis-hit the ball straight to James, Had Chelsea maintained the attacking momentum for most of the match, they would have won.

McManaman's second goal

Shearer marks century with sharp dismissal of Tottenham

Blackburn Rovers 2 Tottenham Hotspur 1

By PETER BALL

A STRAW poll, in a Sunday newspaper, of FA Carling Premiership managers on the eventual champions unsurprisingly produced overwhelming support for New-castle United, although most thought that Manchester United and Liverpool would have a say in things. Nobody men-tioned Blackburn Rovers, the champions, or Tottenham Hotspur, who could have risen to second place a week ago. On Saturday, in bitter con-

ditions, the football rarely flowed in the meeting between the two at Ewood Park, but, after a turgid first half-hour, two weakened teams showed that they are not far away. Manchester United apart, no-body has had as much of the game at Ewood this season as Tottenham managed, but still Rovers hung on to inflict the London club's first away defeat and maintain their imposing home record, now nine wins out of 11 Premiership games. Championship form, but their away record tells a

different story.
"Realistically, the championship's out of our reach, but we are going all out for a place in Europe, and we're all confident we will do it," Alan Shearer, the captain for the day, said after scoring his hundredth Premiership goal, the strike that separated the

Tottenham, too, are not quite championship material, but their European cause is more promising. Without their first-choice midfield, as Gerry Francis, the manager, lamented, they had to make do and mend, and did so with some style.

Although Batty won the sponsor's man-of-the match award, Sol Campbell and Nethercott, two centre halves, took over midfield in the second half and Sheringham's intelligence and the surging runs of Armstrong kept Blackburn on tenterhooks. Yet Tottenham managed only one goal. Sheringham tucking away Armstrong's perfect cross with aplomb.

Francis bemoaned the "travesty" of his team's failure to get at least one point. "We had Swart Nethercott's sweet header hit Batty on the line, Teddy Sheringham's sweet volley from three yards hit the

lovely sweet trip on Chris Armstrong which the referee somehow missed," he said sarcastically. "It was the dearest penalty I've seen all season. and the referee was perfectly placed."

Francis had a point, Kenna appearing to catch Armstrong as the forward spun away from him, but perhaps Peter Jones would have been more sympathetic if Armstrong had not earned 5.1 for artistic dive in the first minute. In that area, as in most. Shearer provides an object lesson for aspiring strikers. On Saturday, one fall, that brought a harsh booking for Campbell, had Calderwood protesting

"Apart from being a great finisher, he's streetwise," Calderwood said, but in the end, after Marker had given



Marker: first goal for club

Blackburn the lead with his first goal for the club, it was Shearer's finishing ability that sent Tottenham home without

There appeared to be nothing on as Shearer received the ball 20 yards out with his back to goal and Mabbutt at his shoulder. For a striker of his calibre, though, that was an opportunity rather than a

restriction. "I knew he was tight on me and I had half a chance to turn, and I'd had a look at the keeper and knew he was off his line." Shearer explained matter-of-factly. Mabbutt was moved aside and the shot, hit on the turn, went over the stranded Walker.

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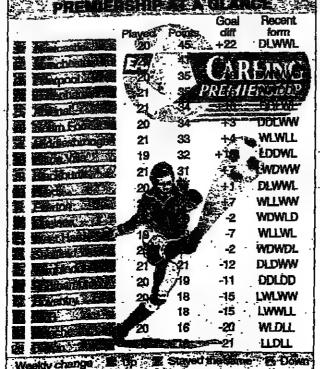
By OLIVER HOLE THE piped band that welcomed Duncan Ferguson back from Barlinnie Prison for a reserve team game last month was downgraded to a thin blue line of sponsors' cheerleaders frozen by the cold. Yet the man that Joe Royle, his manager, calls "the big fella". was cheered to the rafters when he strode out for his return to the Everton first team starting line-up at Goodison Park on Saturday. and did enough damage to be singled out by Howard Wil-Royle's opposite

it was not that Ferguson, recovered from a bout of flu that had kept him away from Goodison Park as effectively as his enforced sojourn in Glasgow, was overly aggressive. He had one rather alarm- ances like a bodyguard in the ing eyeball-to-eyeball confrontation with Wetherall, but, whether it was to protect them from the cold or make a point of pacifism, all afternoon he pulled his sleeves down over his fists and kept them hidden.

For all his bad publicity, nobody, least of all the Everton supporters, has forgotten that Ferguson is a fine footballer. He scored a towering header against Leeds United at Goodison last season. and on Saturday, drafted into the team because of a late injury to Limpar, he went through his full repertoire of extravagant turns and salmon leaps to disrupt them again.

He did not score, but Wilkinson admitted that his team could not cope with his presence and the amount of loose halls that resulted from his aerial duelling.

Ferguson's main accomplices were Ebbrell, who flung himself at attempted clear-



line of fire and harried McAllister so enthusiastically that he made him look very ordinary, and Parkinson, who anchored midfield until Watson was sent off for a second poorly-timed tackle after 20 minutes and then converted to

right back with aplomb. Kanchelskis deserves a mention, too, for his fine goal just after half-time, a jink past two rather half-hearted tackles and a fine left-foot, curling shot that went in off Beeney's right-hand post. Even more than Ferguson and the rest, though, if you wanted to point the finger at someone for crimes against Leeds, it should be pointed at ... well,

Wetherall started it all off when he lobbed over his own goalkeeper and into the corner of the net in the sixth minute after a dever chipped pass from Ebbrell put him under pressure. The sending off of Watson should have been the visitors' reprieve, but Everton continued to dominate.

Speed looked like a little boy lost in his left-of-centre midfield role, and Brolin, for all his nice touches and perceptive passes, dropped so deep that he duplicated the role of McAllister. In the absence of Yeboah, Deane and Masinga were woefully bad in attack. It was hard to believe this was the team that beat Manchester United 3-1 last week, easy to see how they could have lost 6-2 to Sheffield Wednesday.

These teams now lie either side of the halfway point in the Premiership, Leeds just in the top half. Leeds may be in for difficult times, but Everton, with Ferguson off the leash, are on a roll.

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Last laugh is on sad Bolton again

Alyson Rudd sees Coventry's 2-1 victory

leave Wanderers with that sinking feeling

YOU cannot meddle too much with a traditional pantomime. If an ugly sister marries the prince, the kids in the front seats will start crying. The joy is in the anticipation of a known outcome. Bolton Wanderers clearly did not want to ruin the young Coventry City supporters' Christmas holidays. They are becoming so adept at conceding important, last-minute goals, that it is practically a tradition. "Keep hold of your stubs."

the compere on the pitch told the crowd. He was not it transpired, giving Roy McFarland and Colin Todd, the Bolton management team, advice about the Bolton defender, but, with blizzards forecast, reminding everyone about refunds if the game had to be abandoned. No such luck for Bolton.

The home side were, by turns, exquisite and grossly sloppy: Curcic, Bolton's Serb import, played the Good Fairy - gloriously magical but not that vital to the plot in the end. He clipped the woodwork after a quarter of an hour and, a minute later, provided the cross for McGinlay's header. Bolton almost hung on until the interval, but the breeze assisted Pickering's cross and picked out Salako, who set up Whelan for the equaliser

defence. On many more occa-

seconds before half-time. The second period was played almost entirely for laughs. The Boiton defenders kept prodding the ball under the Coventry players' noses and the visitors kept fluffing their attacks. Green, the Bolton full back, stoically refused to kick the ball out of play. On occasion, this resulted in a neat build-up from

sions, it opened the way to goal for Coventry, but Bolton

Ninety minutes had passed - and then Fairclough passed back to Branagan. The Bolton goalkeeper thought about clearing the ball first time and then decided against it, having felt a muscle twinge. The delay allowed Whelan to steal the ball off him. The twist in the tale was that Branagan brought Whelan to the ground and the inevitable took a few seconds longer with Salako winning the game from the penalty

It was the sixth time this season that Bolton had allowed points to slip through the net during the last five minutes of a match. McFarland did not even try to play the bad-luck card. The ball should be in the stands or belted up field," he said, referring to the end of each half. Todd called Bolton's approach "suicide".

This, then, will most likely be the game in years to come that grandfathers will describe to their grandchildren as the one that secured Bolton's return to the lower orders. Around 200 supporters defied the chill to line up outside the ground after the game and demand McFarland's resignation.

As the Coventry players filed past them to board their coach, these supporters chanted: "You're going down with the Wanderers."

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Pearce ready with drive on the left for England replacements scrambled and

Nottingham Forest 1 Middlesbrough0

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

pleasure from the horrendous ankle injury sustained by Graeme Le Saux, the Blackburn Rovers defender, against Middlesbrough two weeks ago. It could have happened to anybody, at any time, but it is now likely that he will miss England's European championship campaign — a grave loss for Terry Venables, the national team coach.

For Stuart Pearce, though, a colleague's misfortune will almost certainly lead to his resurrection as a full back of international repute. Venables had as good as ignored him in his first eight games in charge, and it is only in the past seven matches, when he has appeared five times, that he has felt that he still has a part to play. At the City Ground on

Saturday, Pearce, 33, again showed that he has the credentials to take on and scare the likes of Holland, Switzerland and Scotland — for starters. He has long lost his self-styled Psycho" image, but his tackling and shackling of invaders remain raw and resolute. Juninho bore testimony,

many times, as Middlesbrough battled gamely on an Antarctic afternoon. He may look no more than a wee waif from the streets of Sao Paulo. but he hustles and bustles and always returns for more. Pearce had to be at his best to cope with the begloved Brazilian. That he did, and won hands down, speaks volumes for his refusal to accept the passage of time.

There was little else to enthuse about on a day that had the brass monkeys scurrying for cover. Nottingham Forest's undersoil heating may have cheated the big freeze, but their players pro-

vided scant evidence that they will seriously worry Bayern Munich come the Uefa Cup quarter-finals in March.

The best part of the day was the result." Frank Clark, the Forest manager, conceded. "We started well, with a good tempo, went in front but then lost the threads. I don't really know what to say unless anyone can prompt me with an intelligent question." Inspiration, off the pitch as well, was sorely lacking, from main man and inquisitors alike. Forest lorged ahead, in the

ninth minute, when Fleming clumsily felled Stone, Pearce. typically, thundered the penalty past Walsh. "We haven't been playing particularly well as a team and are not creating many chances," he said, "1995 has been pretty good, but we haven't won anything yet." Middlesbrough had many players missing and yet their

scrapped to good effect. Had Hendrie's low drive, in the 41st minute, gone in instead of thudding against Crossley's right-hand post, Forest would have had to defend even more desperately than they did in the closing stages.

"It was about the last 14 players I had to pick from," Bryan Robson, the Middlesbrough player-manager, said. "I thought we should have got something out of the game. Pearce did, with a bucca-

neering display of old. Le Saux's loss should be his gain; Venables, beleaguered on every front, need not be so downhearted after all.

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WEATHER NEWS

ALTHOUGH ten matches in the Endsleigh Insurance League have been postponed because of frozen pitches, the outlook for the Premiership is more encouraging. Last night it was hoped that all eight matches would be played, in contrast to Saturday when three games had been called off 24 hours in advance.

Due to Newcastle United playing tomorrow against Arsenal. Manchester United have the chance today to cut the gap to just one point if they can overcome a Tonenham side that has been notably lacklustre of late, recording two draws and a defeat over the holiday period.



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Terry Kirby, centre, of the Miami Dolphins, pulls away as Ken Irvin, of Buffalo, is floored during the Dolphins' 37-22 defeat in the NFL play-offs. Report, page 20

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Sectarian rift remains to haunt Glasgow 25 years after disaster united a city in grief

Legacy of Ibrox lost amid intolerance of divided loyalties

comorrow is the 25th anniver-sary of the Ibrox disaster, when 66 people died at the ground, on stairway 13, at the close of an Old Firm game. A fatal accident inquiry concluded that the 1971 tragedy had been caused by overcrowding on those steps, with perhaps a slip by a single person leading those behind to tumble onto one another, creating a cumulative force that was to wrench the metal railings out of shape.

The disproportionately heavy use of that stairway at the traditional "Rangers End" of the ground has been plausibly explained by the fact that it led direct to Cairnlea Drive and the underground station. It deepens the anguish to reflect that a humdrum impulse to escape a January day and hurry to the warmth of pub or home could bring so much death, as well as devastation, to the families of the

The disaster, for a while at least, wept away all the bravado of potball. Nobody could think of crowds and their loyalties to mere teams when funeral after funeral was demonstrating that supporters are simply men whose ordinary, vulnerable lives find their worth

among wives, children and friends. In the shock and grief, there was a sense of common humanity that made prestige and position irrele-vant. An ambulance officer at Ibrox that day remembers that the other stretcher-bearer he worked with was Jock Stein, the Celtic manager. In the subsequent weeks, Willie Waddell, Stein's counterpart at Rangers, made extraordinary

efforts to cope with the aftermath. Those then at Ibrox believe that he barely slept at all, spending each day speaking to the families of the deceased and organising groups of with mere injuries. In addition to sharing in the sorrow of its supporters, the club was also to make a

far-sighted response to the disaster. The official inquiry included some scathing criticism of Rangers, but Ibrox Stadium has been beyond reproach ever since. By 1981, a new ground had, in effect, been built. and anyone inclined to make facile remarks about the closing of stable doors should remember that Rang-



commentary

ers followers were sitting in safety and comfort long before the trage-dies of Bradford, Heysel and Hillsborough.

Extraordinary sums were lavished on Ibrox, but in other ways the reaction to the carnage of that January afternoon in 1971 was wholly inadequate. In the trauma of the time, there was an opportunity for Glasgow to shed a great deal of its sectarian bitterness. Old Firm supporters were, for a spell, genu-inely ashamed of the religious divisions that led them to detest one

In the face of so much death, few could cling to the hatred. So long as that mood prevailed, it might have been harnessed by Celtic and Rangers; in 1972, the Glasgow magis-trates asked both clubs to take

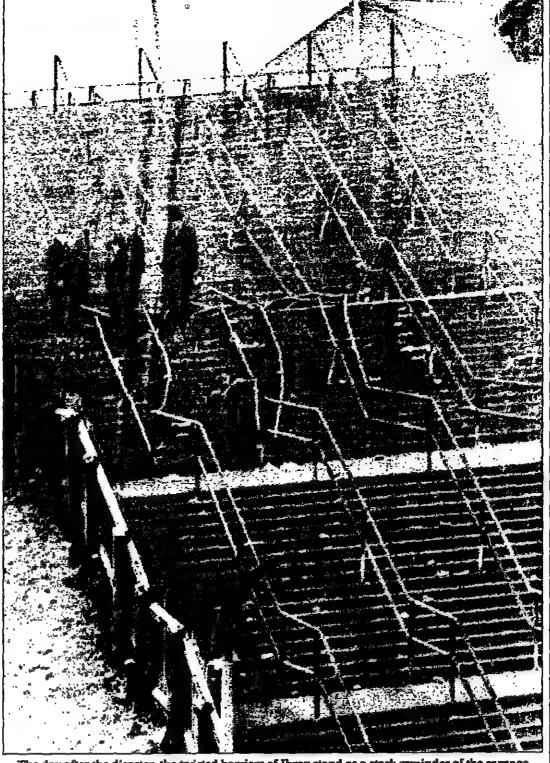
have been a concerted campaign, perhaps spearheaded by the mostadmired players, to confront deplorable behaviour whenever it

As it was, the clubs would not even abandon their practices. Celtic insisted on flying the Irish flag and, more alarmingly. George Brown, a Rangers director, stated in 1972 that he did not think Rangers would ever sign a Catholic. Seventeen years were to pass before, to the credit of the present board, the club bought Maurice Johnston.

There is much to admire in the use that the Old Firm have made of their material resources. Rangers' wealth has built an opulent team that, on Saturday, bewildered Hi-bernian in a 7-0 victory. Even a few years ago, few would have envis-aged that they would one day see Paul Gascoigne or Brian Laudrup in Scottish football.

In deeper senses, however, there have been too few developments. Men were chastened by the Ibrox disaster, but the opportunities of those days were squandered and the old arimosities have long been reestablished. The cost to the city continues to be catastrophic, although the occasional murder brings only a flurry of reporting followed by indifference.

Early this season, a young Celtic supporter was attacked and killed after a game as he passed through an area of the city where aggression might have been expected. Local people placed flowers on the pavement and tied Celtic and Rangers scarves together. Soon, others had separated the colours and tossed the flowers in the bin. Tolerance is one memorial that Glasgow has failed to give the dead of 1971.



The day after the disaster, the twisted barriers of Ibrox stand as a stark reminder of the carnage

United prepare to step up the pressure on Newcastle



Venables: contract talks

A WEEK a long time in football? How about five days? Last Wednesday evening, Newcastie United were 90 minutes away from taking a 13point lead in the FA Carling Premiernip and, if they did, it was suggested those who know about these ers at around 10 o'clock tonight.

but theirs. By tonight, that advantage could be whittled down to one point. The nation's exponents of footballing punditry have gone strangely quiet." Manchester United were the instruments of Newcastle's torture when they won 2-0 at Old Trafford. If Alex Ferguson's side beat Tottenham Hotspur at White Hart Lane tonight, they will be covering Newcastle's footprints with their own. Quite suddenly, the game is on again and Kevin Keegan heads into 1996 with a slightly warier tread.

tonight, the Newcastle manager has the considerable consolation that his team will have two games in hand, one of which they play tomorrow night when Arsenal visit St James' Park. The suspicion is that the teletext will have a few extra custom-

match tonight with Ferguson relying again on William Prunier, his second Frenchman, to plug the gap in central defence left by the absence of Bruce, Pallister and May, while Philip Neville and possibly Irwin are also on the injured list. Prunier played solidly in defence and also impressed in attack in United's 2-1 victory over Queens Park Rangers on Saturday, but will be given a closer examination by Sheringham and Armstrong, Tottenham's in-form forwards. Gerry Francis, the Tottenham Fox, Dozzeli, Howells, Wilson and Anderton are all still on the injured list, and those who are left go into the game with the Premiership's last unbeaten away record having been surrendered with their defeat by Blackburn Rovers on Saturday.

The game at White Hart Lane is is expected at the night's other match. between Middlesbrough and Aston Villa at the Riverside Stadium.

The Football Association denied yesterday that it had suppressed the charge of bringing the game into disrepute that has been levelled at Bryan Robson, the Middlesbrough manager. Robson is said to have been involved, along with Nigel Pearson and Neil Cox, two of his players, in a heated exchange with Paul Danson, the referee at Middlesbrough's game against Blackburn on

December 16, and the alleged offence did not come to light until ten days after the match. Pearson and Cox have also been charged.

"There is certainly no question of a cover-up," Steve Double, an FA spokesman, said. "If there had been a press inquiry on the day Robson was charged, we would have responded blacklist bulletin." The case could prove an embarrassment for the FA. since Robson is a part of the support team of Terry Venables, the England

enach. Venables, himself, is thought to be involved in ever more anxious debate with the international committee of the FA over a new contract. Venables has said that he expects that an agreement, that would take him beyond the World Cup finals in 1998,

will be signed inside a week, but this

has angered some members of the international committee, notably Noel White, the Liverpool director. and Ian Stott, the Oldham Athletic

They are said to be concerned with the number of civil court actions in which Venables is involved. If Venables is appointed before the scheduled date of January 30, the international committee seems sure to call an emergency meeting.

Nigeria's sudden withdrawal on Saturday from the African nations' cup in South Africa, ostensibly for security reasons, has given two Premiership clubs an unexpected bonus. A directive from Fifa, the game's world governing body, had left Everton and Wimbledon expecting to lose Daniel Amokachi and Efan Ekoku, respectively, to the competition, which starts later this

Display of seasonal spirit bodes well for Dagenham

Dagenham and Red Bromsgrove Rovers 2

By Walter Gammie

THE frozen conditions were hardly ideal, but the occasional crash landing, and the more frequent sight of players left stranded when unable to turn. only added to the entertainment for the 1,020 shivering diehards drawn to Victoria Road for the lone match to survive in the Vauxhall Conference on Saturday.

Home supporters in the club's best crowd of the season were warmed by the spirit with which their side came back to gain a valuable point. The chopping and changing by Graham Carr, their manager of three months, may finally be producing a force capable of climbing out of the relegation places.
The 30 or so hardy

Bromsgove followers were denied the reward of a victory when Robbie Taylor, the only player wearing white trainers and blue mittens, bundled in a rebound off the chest of Chris Taylor, the Bromsgrove goalkeeper, after 80 minutes.

in the 34th minute, when Worthington followed up to hook home after his penalty had been blocked by Chris

Dagenham's main attacking thrust came from Wilson and Broom, with their sharp running from midfield; the most persistent threat from Bromsgrove came from Carter, who turned in a corner by Skelding after 38 minutes to bring Bromsgrove level.

In the 73rd minute, his shot was too hot for Williams, but the ball was prevented from crossing the line by the late arrival of Reed, who grabbed a goalpost to keep himself upright before scrambling the rinkmanship of the highest order. The reprieve was shortlived, however, as Skelding's corner found the head of the unmarked Clarke beyond the

far post.
"Don't let it slip now."
Richardson, the Bromsgrove captain, exalted his team, but they were undone by the urgency of Dagenham's riposte. Taylor's goal might easily have been followed by another penalty, as Worthington sprawled under Randall's challenge. The final flourish was supplied by Carter, who chipped Williams perfectly. only for the ball to rebound off

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DARTS: Embassy world championship (Leksade Country Club, Frimley Green).

RACING: Lingfield Park (12.50): Wolverhampton (AW, 130)

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THURSDAY RUGBY LEAGUE

Warrington STONES CHAMPIONSHIP: Halifax v Old-ham. First division: Featherstone v Wate-field; Widnes v Salford. OTHER SPORT DARTS: Embassy world chemplorship (Lakeside Country Club, Frimley Green).

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Welshmen win in Dublin to set up Heineken Cup final with Toulouse on Sunday

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Cardiff can cash in on European adventure

FROM DAVID HANDS IN DUBLIN

CARDIFF can become the catalyst for change in Welsh rugby, not only by their playing achievement in reaching the final of the inaugural Heineken Cup but also through the ancillary benefits. Should they beat Toulouse at the Arms Park next Sunday the final for which the organisers so desperately

hoped - it will only confirm their domestic primacy. As winners of the Heineken League, their domestic club competition, last season, they received £25,000. Now. Gareth Davies, their chief executive, talks of six-figure sums accruing from their venture into Europe and valuable associations established with blue-chip companies as a re-sult of the club's enhanced

"Clubs offering European rugby in their fixture list have extra selling power." Davies said. However, he stresses the need for clarification on club earnings from the competition. This season, the split of television and sponsorship income has yet to be determined; next season, the entry of English and Scottish sides will increase the hands dipping

into the pot. When Davies discusses contracts with his first-team players this week, he will hold a powerful hand, in terms of the finances coming into the club and the quality of games on offer. Before the final next weekend, he will meet the becoming the most influential

The vista opening up. of course, contains an implicit threat to the governing bodies of the respective countries that their best clubs will become sufficiently independent to go their own way but, what Cardiff are achieving, others assuredly will seek

Moreover, the competition has received instant credibility with a Franco-Welsh final. An all-Weish final would have been a heavy blow in marketing terms, while a Leinster success would have been a shade peripheral for television audiences in Great Britain.

The Welsh champions reached the final with a display of rugby adapted to suit the miserable conditions at Lansdowne Road on Saturday, where freezing rain drove down the pitch and numbed hands did well to cling to the ball. In such circumstances. the 8,000 or so hardy souls who constituted the crowd were well rewarded with a full-blooded and skilful contest that left Leinster honour-

Provincial rugby in Ireland had become a bit stagnant and there was some question as to whether the provinces could compete with clubs like Cardiff," Jim Glennon, the Lein-ster manager, said. "I think that has now been answered."

Indeed. Leinster's magnificent pack outscrummaged Cardiff, but, importantly, lacked lineout presence. They also lacked the ability to play effectively with the wind in the second half, after trailing by only six points at the interval. Toulon and Castres, and a tries in the first half and then as Pim grasped at thin air.



Rolland, the Leinster scrum half, escapes the attentions of the Cardiff defence at Lansdowne Road

with a mixture of chip kicks and grubbers. They won the lineouts 19-8 and their half backs made sure that posses-

sion was not wasted. Their tries both came from set-piece play and Hall was pivotal to each. The former Wales captain, behind a lineout, left Taylor to draw the defence with a dummy run before sending Emyr Lewis cantering into space. Taylor supported for the try, and it was his pick-up at a scrum

hope for a first cap against the United States this weekend. Both men have the ability to cross the advantage line and offer a target for their colleagues, but Leinster could find no foothold in the Cardiff

pense when he finished off a

series of surging attacks, but

the most potent Leinster threat

came from Costello and

McQuilkin, who left yesterday

for Atlanta with the ireland

party and may reasonably

points of the second half relationship, it will be extend-

dropped goal was a significant achievement, though they were grateful that McGowan could not judge the wind sufficiently well to land two penalty attempts. It was reward, 100, for Terry Holmes, the club's new coach.

The former international scrum half is hardly three weeks into his new role since the return of Alex Evans to Australia, Holmes and Cardiff are trying each other out on a month-by-month basis this

Swansea learn timely lesson despite des

FROM GERALD DAVIES IN TOULDUSE

THE benefits of the Heineken Cup and the opportunities that the tournament will afford, more so in seasons to come than even in this inaugural year, were evident at the tade des Sept-Denier in Toulouse on Saturday. The com-

petition will expose clubs and players to a higher level of competition; more important, it will also allow them to cross frontiers, not only of geography, but of ideas. Foulouse, in beating Swansea by three goals and three penalty goals to a penalty goal, demonstrated — in fits and starts — that swiftness of thought and speed of pass to a

choice of supporting players remain essential for success against more static opponents. Swanses, more inclined to look for support and control close to the forwards, were frequently out-manoeuvred by a team that gathered pace by shifting the ball quickly away from where bodies were likely to be thickest. Swansea, confronted by opponents who were more owerful, were left back-pedalling for much of the time, although many of their young players will have learnt from

e experience. Mike Ruddock, the Swana coach, had said beforehand that the back row of the scrum might be the critical area - and so, to an extent, it proved. Manent. Dispagne and Lacroix were always inspiring the movements forward and, once Reynolds left the field with a rib cartilage injury, after 28 minutes, they grew more so. When Belot emerged from an irresistible moving maul on the halfway line, Manent was at his shoulder to score the try, in the 54th minute, that effectively seagainst Cardiff on

Andy Moore with a knee ligament injury. Toulouse took the lead with two penalty goals by Deyland to Wil-liams's one and showed the more enterprising use of

They extended their lead from a penalty try when Swansea transgressed while trying to prevent a pushover, the movement leading to it being thrilling in conception and full of Gallic flair. That attack covered the length of the pitch and almost all the width, every player, it seemed, being involved; they deserved

Toulouse committed errors in midfield, but few from the inter-passing of their for-wards. They had their replacements, too, Lacroix. Berty and Califano had to leave the field after Manent's try, but it made little differ; ence. Ougier, who left the field late in the game, was a constant threat.

joyed their most productive period. Boobyer broke through the defence, as did Weatheriey. Aled Williams was also held up on the line. It was to no avail; this was too much like desperate catch-up ugby. Deylaud kicked another

penalty goal, Castaignede crossed for a score but was recalled and Artiguste, his partner in the centre, ensured that the team ended on a high note with a beautifully carved run. Deylaud converted all

South American river that provided opportunity for catch of a lifetime

porter. He was playing with it when he asked if Father Christmas had come to my house, too. As it happens, Father Christmas did come. He popped a small package through my letter box, it contained what a film processing laboratory had long since claimed it had never received: a set of transparencies shot in Tierra del Fuego.

The pictures cleared away the haze of distance and time. One brought back every detail of one of the most memorable hour's fishing that I have ever had. Another provided proofpositive of a sea trout beyond imagining.

It is two years ago this month since I fished the Rio Grande. The river lies like a crack across the coccyx of South America's spine. It flows through desolately beautifully. limitless horizoned plains, more or less due east from the Andes. It empties into the South Atlantic, more or less midway between the Magellan Straits and Cape Horn.

1 fished from Kau-Tapen lodge. 20 miles inland on a

rolling dirt road. There were six of us there all told, three Argentinians, two Americans and me. We fished singly or in pairs, always with a professional guide armed with spare flies and a vast landing net that had a powerful spring balance built into the handle.

The fishing, in spite of the renowned size of the Rio Grande's sea trout, was all with single-handed trout rods. used a seven-weight, ninefoot carbon fibre rod equipped with a butt extension to take some strain off my wrist, a large-capacity disc-braked reel and, most of the time, a weight-forward, fast-sinking

The line had as much to do with the wind as the water. The Rio Grande is easily wadable on most reaches and most of the water is brisklypaced, perfect for the fly. In calm weather, a floating line would have been a delight to use; but, when I was there, the wind blew almost without relenting. It became a living. bullying thing. It whistled about my rod as though through ship's rigging, it flapped hy waterproofs about A belated Christmas present has Brian Clarke reminiscing about a memorable fishing trip to the Rio Grande two years ago

my head like loose sails. The wind whipped tears from my eyes, impressed itself on my cheeks, moved the very ears on my head when it gusted from

When the wind was up, the narrow, heavy sinking line was needed as much to cut through it as to sink through the water. It was all, though, part of the experience and the challenge was to work with the wind and not to struggle against it.

When the wind dropped. which it did from time to time. we shared the high, wide skies with spiralling condors and noisesome flights of

Magellan geese. We shared the honeycoloured plains with nacos, Ilama-like animals that studied us hairtriggered from a distance. edgily curious. We shared the water with the muskrats and

the beavers and the fish. My fear had been that I would arrive too soon for the fish, that coming in early January in a season that runs from January to the end of March would see me miss the main runs. Yet the river was already full of fish, now rolling and sploshing, now winking silver, now sullenly lying doggo in the long, wide pools. There are rivers quite like

the River Grande in Alaska: wide sweeps that are filled with salmon from bed to surface and bank to bank when the height of the season comes; but, in Alaska at these times, the fishing is too easy. It

can be a fish each cast and it is

not so much the energy that to be paced, but the level of Here, although there were fish in great numbers, they were more dispersed and had

to be worked for. We each caught our share, but they were mostly hard-won.

The wind became a living, bullying thing, blowing almost without relenting

> What fish! In most rivers in Great Britain that contain sea trout - and there are precious few of them - the fish average around llb, approaching maybe two. A three-pounder is a nice one, friends hear of fourpounders, five-pounders are noted on Christmas cards to

> old angling enemies.
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> In six full days and one evening on the Rio Grande, I caught 23 sea trout - by no means an exceptional score. The smallest weighed 5lb. The average was just a fraction under lüb. The largest was -

well, very large, at least for The fish came in ones and

twos, the daily score gradually creeping up as the week progressed, which is the proper way for any fishing week to reveal itself. There were many memora-

ble fish. There was the great fish that leapt clean into the distant bank to take its bearings when it was hooked, and that then leapt immediately backed into the water ready for the fight. There was the fish that leapt above my head while I was wading

chest-deep and which trailed rubies behind it through the red, setting sun.

Above all, there were the fish in the

photographs lately delivered, the one recalling a moment in the best day I had, the other freezing forever that sea trout of my

The best day began on a long pool with a high bank opposite. With the first cast, I hit a fish that shattered the surface at once and came off. Second cast, I had a solid pool but failed to connect. Third cast, I had a take so violent that it pulled my heart into my

I stumbled and splashed downstream behind an unseen force, tripped over a



Proof-positive of a sea trout beyond imagining, Clarke, left, displays his catch

branch that lay white and bleached as an old bone, and eventually landed the fish. We slipped out the barbless hook, my American companion took the photograph of the sea trout, my guide and me that I am looking at now—and then we returned the prize to the water, as we did with every catch that week. It had

weighed 13lb. I made my way back to the same casting spot. Another cast, another thumping take, another rod-creaking breathless fight. A ten-pounder. Next cast, a missed fish. The cast after that, a fish that took with such immense, sudden power that I found myself looking at a shattered line streaming head-high, downwind.

A new leader, a new fly, a new cast and a new fish, a cartwheeling seven-pounder that was 30 yards downstream before 1 could gather up the loose line and follow. All of this, all of it, in less than an hour and still another 13pounder and another fivepounder to come.

my last day. It came from the neck of a deep, fast pool: a broad-shouldered, barrelchested monster of a fish that was impossibly thick even down to the tail. It took forever to land, time after time turning away from the net and bowwaving across the shallows towards the middle: but eventually he tired. I lay the fish gently on the grass, put my rod beside it to give some measure of scale, and took out my camera, Click.

That fish was as exhausted as I was. I can see myself now holding it upright facing the current. I begin to feel it flex and shrug, see its pectoral fins extend and splay: watch as its gulps of oxygen steady and slow; and then the great tail sweeps aside my holding hands and the fish is gone, heading for its destiny in the foothills of the Andes.
So yes, Tom, Father Christmas did come to my house this

year. He came in a blue uniform, in broad daylight, on a bicycle; and he brought me a

☐ Brian Clarke's fishing column appears on the first

Sharks still in hunt for title

THERE must be something about the Doncaster Dome that is much to the liking of Sheffield Sharks (Nicholas Harling writes). On the very court where they secured the Budweiser League basketball title last spring, the champions swept aside Doncaster Panthers 94-51 on Saturday to emphasise that their defence is far from being a lost cause.

successive points that enabled the Sharks to finish the first quarter with a lead of 22-4, after which the outcome was never in doubt. For once, Huggins, of the

Sharks, was upstaged, His 13-points were bettered by Cauthorn, with 23, and Finch,

If the Sharks are to catch The Panthers were taken London Towers, the leaders,

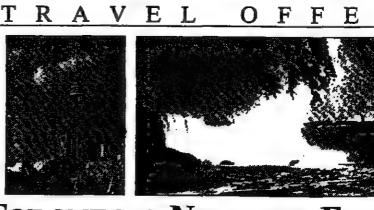
apart by an early burst of 15 they will probably have to bear them twice at Wembley

Worthing Bears, 106-91 winners against Newcastle Com-ets on Friday, fell 102-97 away to Derby Storm, despite 30 points from Cumningham.

The Cornets won 94-89 away to Hemel Hempstead Royals, the bottom club, having led by 20 points at one stage.

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A new Scott braves the Antarctic wastes

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South Pole remains, like climbing Mount Everest. or swimming the English Channel, a feat of almost mythical endeavour that transcends competitive sport.

The first successful ascent of Everest, by Hillary and Tenzing, and the first Channel swim, by Captain Matthew Webb, are woven into the fabric of history.

So is the story of Scott of the Antarctic. His narrow failure to become the first man to reach the South Pole increased the poignancy of his subsequent death along with colleagues including Captain Oates, who left the shelter of their tent with the words: "I'm going outside and may be some time.

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However, the incentive for Lloyd Scott to emulate his famous namesake has not primarily been aroused by a desire to fulfil a lifetime's ambition. Instead, it is his desire to raise money for the Anthony Noian Bone Marrow

It is this trust to which he owes a debt that he has been unable, in his own mind, to repay, even with the housands of pounds that he has raised from running marathons.

Scott played league football with Watford, Blackpool and Orient before becoming a fireman. While saving two small boys from their burning home, he inhaled some black smoke. He had to go for hospital tests and it was while these were being completed that he was discovered to be suffering from leukaemia. To get fit for a bonemarrow transplant operation in 1989, he began running, finishing his first London Marathon in 3hr llmin.

Despite the operation, he returned to marathons, completing several other London races and also the Everest Marathon, taking 24 weeks of trekking through the Himalayas to reach the start. This spring, he will compete in the Flora London Marathon and the Marathon of the Sahara, perhaps the world's most arduous foot race, as preparation for the crossing of the

loyd Scott and his namesake have a common bond apart from their fascination with the Antarctic. Kathleen, Captain Scott's wife, died from leukaemia. It is the determination to raise money for the trust, on which so many people depend to offer them hope of survival, that behind Lloyd Scott's quest to reach the South Pole. He plans to reach



Preparing for an ultimate test of endurance: Lloyd Scott, centre, with fellow expedition members "Punch" Wilson and Clive Johnson

miles by either ski

walking or using

along. It is likely

to take them up to

60 days. The

greatest problem

they face is raising

the £100,000 nec-

essary to finance the trip, but the

journey itself re-

mains onerous for

even the fittest

and most dedicat-

had an instance of anyone

being in any sort of bother."

Farlington, an independent

school, has 344 pupils, day

girls mainly, but some board-

ers. "We try to do a wide

variety of sports," Cath Tagg.

the head of PE, said. "We are

not trying to develop champi-

ons. We do it because they enjoy it and, if they become

champions, that is a bonus.

Laura Pearson is a bonus, the

school's most successful

sportsgirl; although, in team

terms, Farlington is on the

map in equestrianism. It holds the National Schools Equestri-

Pearson has been in orien-

teering since the age of eight

starting with her parents. "I enjoyed it, but I did not want

to get out of bed," she said. "I

never had a lay-in, it was like a school day. I began to get

For years at Farlington.

sport was not coached. The

theory of hockey was never

explained to us." Cynthia

Pettiward, a former pupil, is

quoted as saying in the

school's centenary book. Now, though, through sport, its

pupils "learn the value of

determination, co-operation, self-discipline and awareness

Pearson is an example of that determination. Her weak-

ness is map-memory skills. She is trying to improve them

through an exercise whereby

she reads a map, runs for two

minutes, then describes the

section that she has just run.

The running takes her out of

her front door and back again.

A testing routine, though com-

forting to know where the

of others."

an Association trophy.

14." She is 16 now.

They will each drag sledges weighing 300th and will have no

He has enlisted the support of two son and "Punch" lives have been honed by the coldwinds and snows of the Antarctic. Johnson has

spent lour summers and two winters there and has made a solo and unsupported at-

North Pole. During the past six years, Wilson has been involved unsupported sledging expeditions, also to the North Pole.

directional help. There will also be no re-supply of fuel or food. It is a The trio plan to travel the 750

of human endurance and fewer than 100 have completed it.

Scott's rate of recovery is affected by the intensive chemotherapy and radiotherapy treatment that he received during his recovery from leukaemia. Johnson is insistent that the party has to keep to a routine of between 12 and 15 miles a day. The speed must not be too fast because otherwise the men will begin to swear

Johnson said: "Sweat is an enemy. The vapour can get frozen on the inner clothes. Generally, it is better to remain on the cold side rather than to be too warm.

The trio will each consume about 5,500 calories a day, which is needed to cope with the cold and exercise. "This is still not really enough, but it is almost physically impossible to consume as much as you need," Johnson said. Carbohydrates, the staple diet for longdistance runners and cyclists, cannot be readily eaten in the huge quantities required to supply the ecessary calories. Instead, Antaretic explorers consume lots of fat from butter, dried milk and vegetables, chocolate and occasionally

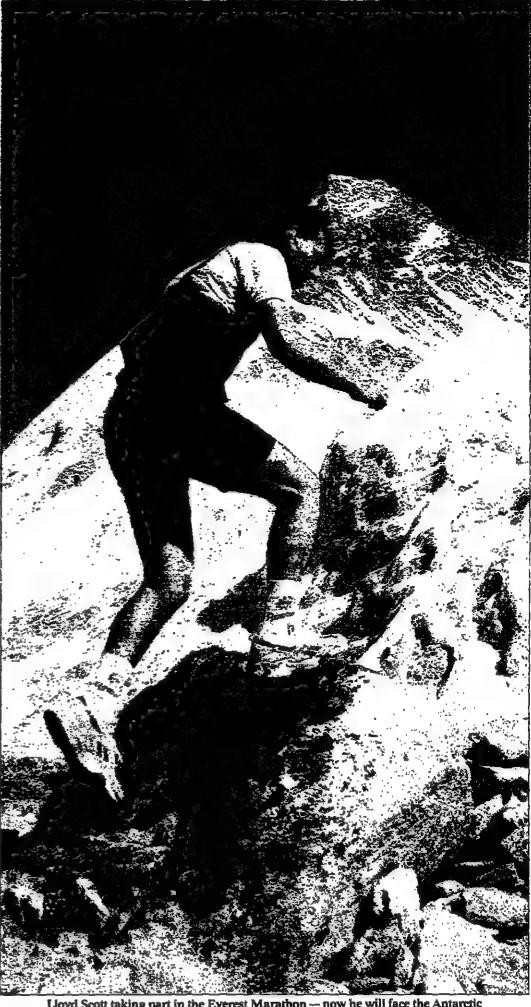
might face include becoming separated in a "white out", when it snows so hard that you can lose sight of people only a few feet away

To prepare for the journey that will take them from Hercules Inlet ising a NordicTrack to simulate the action of skiing. He has also had his fitness monitored in a gymnasium run by Havering Council, in London. There, he has been working on step machines because the action of dragging a sledge puts greater demand on thighs than pure running.

The Norwegians have maintained their reputation since Amundsen beat Scott to the South Pole. Their training includes jogging while pulling tyres tied to a rope looped around the waist. The trio plan to copy this regime in

Despite the physical hardships of the Antarctic, Wilson is enraptured by the scenery that they will experience. "You are right in the middle of nowhere," he said. There is virgin snow and a totally pure environment. It is nature at its rawest and I find it incredibly

row Trust, Royal Free Hospital, Pond Street, Hampstead, London journey that takes men to the limits NW3 2QG (0171-284 1234).



Lloyd Scott taking part in the Everest Marathon — now he will face the Antarctic

Pearson's sense of direction puts Farlington on the map

IF THE mistake had to be made, Laura Pearson is one of the last people you would have expected to make it. The Sussex under-17 girls cross country championship was nearing its conclusion and most athletes knew where the finish was. The exception was Pearson, whose sense of geographical position is normally among the best. Pearson is the British schools under-16 orienteering champion. That makes her a champion at knowing where she is and where she is

She laughs now at the error that cost her a spot in the Sussex team. "I missed out by one place," she said. "I fin-ished sixth and it was the first five to be picked. I did not know where the finish was. I had been told that, when we came out of the woods, there was a lap of the field to go, but it was half a lap."

No great loss. Running pure cross country does not appeal to Pearson anyway. It is orienteering that gives her an adrenalin rush. "I do not enjoy cross country much, because it



is continuous running." Pearson said. "I use cross-country races as training for orienteering. I find athletics boring. Orienteering gives you some-thing to do while you are

running round." A chip off the old block. Sue Pearson is Laura's mother, a science and PE teacher at Farlington School, Horsham. where orienteering is the most recent addition to the extracurricular programme, an option for the past 15 months.

"It gets the girls running distances further than they would contemplate around a track, and gives them more exercise than many would have thought possible," Mrs

Pearson said. That is the appeal."

Mrs Pearson had "a huge

response" to the introduction of orienteering at Farlington. "Because it involves running and reading a map, they are exercising brain and body," she said. "The girls who can run are not necessarily at an advantage. It offers something to the girls who might not consider themselves particuarly athletic."

Only two Farlington girls went to the 1995 British schools championships, but the school has its sights on entering a team. "Until they get out at weekends and do events on a regular basis, they are not able to get the experi-ence," Mrs Pearson said.

Sending schoolgirls off into woodland areas, one at a time appear unwise, but Mrs Pearson is adamant that the safety regulations offer adequate are retired, you must report to the finish, so that is a safety

That is something we are working towards. precautions. "Even when you aspect," she said. "They carry



Pearson pauses to get her bearings with fellow pupils. Photograph: Andrew Hasson

By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent Sometimes, the best percentage play in a suit depends on the entry situation. Here is an example from the Christmas auction pairs tournament at St John's Wood Bridge Club.

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Contract: 3 NT by South

South opened 2 NT after two passes and North raised to 3 NT. How should the declarer play the diamonds, after winning the first club in

serious about it when I was First, how would you play if This [1996] is Farlington's you had more than one entry to dummy? The correct line is to run the jack on the first centenary year. In its early days, the school made no round of the suit. When the pretence at being academic. suit is 2-2, it is a toss-up Instead, the tone was "how to whether you play East for Ax or Qx; but, when East has he ladylike". Now, it is written in the school brochure that the future is female ... with three cards and West one. running the jack gains when their superior powers of conmunication, it looks likely that West has the singleton 3, 4 or women will sweep the board in many spheres of life." ace, and loses only if West has the singleton queen.

On this hand, you can play the diamonds only once from dummy. That changes the picture. Now, the only relevant holding is singleton queen with West. If West has singleton ace, you cannot pick up East's Qxx; if East has AQx, he will rise with the ace

on the first round of the suit and again you cannot pick up his remaining Qx. So, you lead low to the king, to cater for singleton queen. It is a pleasing paradox

With two entries, the only losing 3-1 break is when West has the singleton queen: with one entry, that is the only winning layout. On the hand today, virtue is rewarded if South puts up the king - the queen does not fall singleton. but, it just so happens, the 2-2 break is the one that makes the king the winning play.

You should not try to learn suit combinations by rote. You should work them out at the table in the way that I describe above. A good new year's

Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

PAROREXIA a. Excessive ambition b. An Alpine plant c. Perverted taste

PANPSYCHIST a. Believer in soul

b. A natural Shrink c. A multipurpose athlete

By Philip Howard

WORD WATCHING

PETTTOES a. Pig's tronters b. Dainty feet c. Athlete's foot

BEDIZEN a. A baker's dozen b. To ornament c. To trick with language

Answers on page 33

BY RAYMOND KEENE

Prodigy beats record

Luke McShane, the H-year-old prodigy from Clapham, and Great Bruain's brightest hope to chall-enge for a future world champjonship match, has beaten an impressive record in the Hastings Challengers tournament. On Sat-urday, McShane defeated Colin McNab, the Scuttish grandmaster, thus shaving more than a year off the previous British record for the youngest player to beat a beaten James Plaskett when 13. Tony Miles while still 14.

A further remarkable aspect to McShane's victory over the grandmaster was that this win catapulted the him into a 100 per cent score, three out of three, to share the lead in a tournament packed with international masters and grandmasters. Here is the

White: Luke McShane Black: Colin McNab Hastings Challengers Pirc Defence

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Hastings Premier

After three rounds of the Hastings Premier tournament, which is composed solely of grandmasters, Stuart Conquest leads with 212

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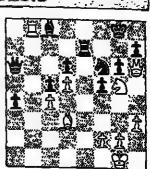
WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

Nb5

White to move. This position is from the game Speelman -Larsen. Hastings Premier, 1990. Jonathan Speelman has been a regular participant in the Hastings tournaments over the years. How did he break through Black's de-

fences here? Solution on page 33



Montelado's return delayed

CORRESPONDENT AT LEOPARDSTOWN

MONTELADO, after his abortive trip to Kempton over the Christmas holiday, will run next in the AIG (Europet Irish Champion Hurdle at

Leopardstown on January 21. Pat Flynn's Champion Hurdle hope missed the December Hurdle at Leopardstown vesterday. However, Flynn remained upbear about his stable star. He said: "He is in good shape but he spent three days at Kempton and we

a canter because the ground was like a road. When we pulled him out this morning. he was just a little quiet in

himself so I withdrew him." With the prevailing soft going, it was probably a wise decision to withdraw the injury-prone gelding as two other Champion Hurdle contend-ers. Hotel Minella and Balawhar, disappointed behind the surprise IO-1 winner Kharasar, ridden by Mark Dwyer after Graham Bradley was claimed to ride Padre Mio

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favourite to continue the Aidan O'Brien - Charlie Swan run of success but, after making a forward move at the third last, he faded. Balawhar, making his first appearance in almost two years, was alwasy

Tony Mullins has no Champion Hurdle illusions for Kharasar, but the gelding is now I(1-1 second favourite for The Ladbroke hurdle, "He will have to carry 10ib more after winning here and at Thurles earlier last month."

Jamie Osborne missed the ride on Montelado yesterday. but Flynn is not committing himself to a regular jockey for the rest of the season.

Swan and Aidan O'Brien had earlier provided an upset of their own in the Dennys Gold Medal Novice Chase when the I+I outsider of the seven runners. Double Symphony, buttled gallantly to beat the favourite, Ventana Canyon, Richard Dunwoody's

Double Symphony, blink-ered for the first time over fences, made the running to

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the last in the lead, the mare put her head down and snatched the race by a length and a half. There was another exciting finish in the Dennys Juvenile Hurdle and a significant Triumph Hurdle clue when the Michael O'Brien-trained Elas Image fought back, after being headed at the last, to beat

take allowed Ventana Canyon

to take over. However, Swan

rode Ventana Canyon last

season, including when run-

ner-up in the Supreme Nov-ices' Hurdle at Cheltenham,

and he knew that the favourite

does not appreciate being in

Swan drove Double Symphony back and, although

Ventana Canyon landed over

front too soon.

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Theatreworld. O'Brien won the 1993 Triumph Hurdle with Shawiya and Cheltenham's four-yearold championship is also the aim for Elas Image, now unbeaten in three starts over



Dwyer: 10-1 winner

Greater breadth of talent needed to help Wakeham

Ithough he is capable of uttering the most infuriating gibberish, I have a soft spot for John McCririck. Even when he is at his most dangerous and purports to speak on behalf of racing to the nation, his sometimes erroneous conclusions are worth swallowing in return for those momen when his livewire mind highlights an issue or inconsistency which no-one else had the nous to raise.

On Saturday's edition of The Morning Line, "Big Mac" was at his best as he seized upon an innocuous headline in these pages concerning the unopposed election of Lord Wakeham to the chairmanship of the British Horseracing Board (BHB). Never mind the fact that after hitting the proverbial nail on the head he proceeded to hammer his own ringencrusted fingers as he went into McRabble mode over such issues as no-one being consulted and the wrongs of the BHB.

The truth is that Wakeham went unopposed because there was no-one qualified, for reasons of age, health or ability, to stand against him for the top job in racing. The only possible exception was Matthew McCloy - before an incident on a transatiantic

The lack of apparent leadership talent within racing is a genuine worry. Of course, there is one person entirely to

blame for this sad state of affairs, namely Peregrine Andrew Morny Cavendish Hartington. If "Stoker" had not proved to be such an inspired leader of the Jockey Chub and then the BHB, the adequate or vaguely compe-tent, which had sufficed for decades, would still be acceptable. It isn't anymore.

I believe Wakeham is the ideal chairman given the present stage of the BHB's development. His skill as an



Racing commentary

independent conciliator will be invaluable in preventing racing's disparate factions from locking horns.

Just as important, his political background can only help in the campaign to reduce the unfair burden of overtaxation, and gain control of the Tote. But as the new century dawns and Wakeham prepares to stand aside, then what?

It may seem premature to but in the way American

presidential hopefuls begin planning their campaign the moment a new president is elected, so racing should put on its collective thinking cap. Part of the problem is that those who are well qualified to join the BHB are too busy doing what they are good at. John Dunlop, the champion Flat trainer, is an obvious example.

Nevertheless, it would be encouraging to think that come January 2000, when the next election for the BHB chairmanship is likely to take place, the board includes some people who are younger, drawn from the opposite sex and a wider variety of backgrounds.

In the spirit of the New Year and crystal ball gazing, how about Philip Freedman, Anthony Mildmay-White or Nigel Clark from the Jockey Club (which does not merit four seats on the board); Lady Herries, John Gosden or Toby Balding from the training ranks: Richard Muddle or John Smith from the racecourses: Lord Weinstock, Harry Herbert, Lady Lloyd Webber, Jeff Smith, Christopher Heath or Chris Brasher from the owners; and Guy Watkins, Lord Donoughue and David Min-

ton from elsewhere. Hopefully, some of them will stand a better chance than I have of keeping a New Year's resolution not to back horses shorter than 2-1. Happy punting in 1996.

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CHALLENGER DU LUC 61 2nd of 8 to Senor £1 Berwait in grade III lose Novices Chaine at Accol (2m 31 110yd, goad) NO PAIN NO SARII beat Loubout Mountain 61 or novice chase at Follestone (2m 51 good) SAMPLE ARTHMETIC 13 and of 6 to Cer- land Sample Chair (2m good) SORREL HELL 41 2nd of 9 to Perbarley	Pisce in novice chase at Evelor (3m 2) good to seth with FACTOR TEN 251 bits IDIOTS LADY beat Shoulf if in hardness haude at Asco. (3m, good) peruhmate start. LATBLACKTHORY 201 4th, of 15 to Second Spiendow in marken hardle at Herston Abbot (2m 1) coth. Statechory SIMPLE ARTHMATERIC

1.20 CHEVELEY PARK STUD NEW YEAR'S DAY HANDICAP HURDLE

47,	ive end	(13 runners)	
1	P-12112	TEEN JAY 47 (D.F.G.S) (Gemini Associates) R Stronge 6-12-0 . R Stronge	91
- 3	11-1	GROOVING 34 (D.G.S) (Mrs T Brown) J Gallord 7-11-10 . P Hide	95
3	44221-	MELHIN 290 (S) (P Ynesand) G Harwood 5-11-10 M Perrett	84
4	12102-3	NAMASTE 34 (D,G,S) (J Calvanoru) & Hond 8-11-5	97
5	222-331	NORDANISK 11 (CD,BF,F,S) (D Knight) M Madgerel 7-11-0 B Fenson (5)	
6	0311-00	HOSTILE WITNESS 17 (D.F.S) (Pril Parthers) P Hedger 6-(1-0) M Richards	93
7		MOST EQUAL 11 (D.F.S) (H Augelan) M Proe 6-10-12 . J Lower	28
ð	21213-0	SYLVAN SABRE 58 (D.F.G.) IJ Fietwell & Morgan 7-16-12 A 5 Smith	93
9	217-975	LACKENDARA 19 (CD.F.G.S) (Coerung Bid Partners) 45st H *next 9-10-11 J.F.Toley	83
IØ.	0621-61	SPRING SAINT 31 (S) IMOS C Horier Mass C Harles 7-10-8 G Lipton	98
Ш	3300-02	PYRAMIS PRINCE 25 (D.S) (J. Winds) John Wints E-10-3 A P McCov	98
12	3213-4P	ROSGILL 18 (D.F.S) (Busadian Rasang) / White 10-10-0 P MicLoughtin	98
13	PG-P	CLARION CALL 3TF (On No Lawyers Partners) & Thomas 5-10-0 Clare Thomas (7)	-

BETTING: 9-3 Team Jay, 5-1 Grocking, 6-1 Metrik, 7-1 Spring Saint, 8-1 Pytames Prince, 10-1 Clarica Call, 12-1 FORM FOCUS

% 31	GROOVING beat Pampillo 31 in 8-numes handcap hundle at Fromest (2m 21, soft) with NAMASTE (11th better off) 34/13 48 MELNIO, beat Pampared Guest 71 in hendcap hundle at Chellenham (2m 11, soft) stad 1 star last seacon, NOROALESA beat (lighteguly 61 in handicap hundle at Leigheld (2m	110rd heary) MOST EQUAL bast Salsong 4 (O-maner handstap handle at Leicester v@m q to som penulmate start SPRRIS SAHRT 1 Perhaps 1°s in 15-maner handstap bandle at En (2m 21 good to soll) Selection: MOST EQUAL

BUNKERED FIRST TIME: Windsort 3.03 Precious Wonder Exeter: 12.45 Vintage Red Baybellina, 1.45 Maremma Gale, 3.25 Simon Joseph Southwell: 1.00

1.55 martell handicap chase

361 311	(15 runners)
13211	- SPUFFINGTON 275 (B.S) (J. Clapet) J. Gilbral 8-11-13
	DUHALLOW LODGE 19 (D.B.S) (H Spack) C Banvell B-11-10 B Collect 97
	CHRISTMAS BURSE 415 (D.S.) (D. Slootdart) D. Slootdart 10-17-9 R. Supple 96
	STAUNCH REVAL 19 (D.F.B.S) (C Humphry) & Thomas 9-11-9 A Thomas 97
22124	JAILBREAKER 24 (8.5) (Mr. & William) 8 Million 9-11-4
	MUTUAL TRUST 12 (D.SF,F,O,S) (M Bowling) P Hobbs 12-11-2 6 McCourt 98
	GRLPA YALU 26 (D.BF.F.S.S) (Mass N Theograf) Mr. J Planan 7-10-13 . W Marston 95
	COURT MELODY 21 (B.G.S) (M. Colum) P Nacholls 8-10-7 A P McGay 90
132-2	THE WIND ST (F.G.S) (Mrs. C Yeales) D Grassell 9-10-6 B Femion (5) 95
FF31F	FULL OF FIRE 28 (D.F.S) (M Gillow) N. Bailey 9-10-5
13P-3	WOODLANDS BOY 20 (D.F.S) (5 Moore) R Head 8-10-4
	' SKLVERINO 31 (8,0.0,5) (5 Bu feed) S Earle 10-10-3 M Richards 98
223-4	
	POWDER BOY 12 (D,F,G) (Son Hurland) R Hoolyns 11-10-3 A Tary 98
BF315	POWDER BOY 12 (D.F.G) (Yon Hurfort) R Hodges 11-10-3 A Tary 98. DISTINCTIVE 19 (S) (J Hancack) M Withmon 7-10-2 Lawernen 94. FULL OF OATS 20 (S) (I MacDonald) Miss H knight 10-10-0
֡	13533U 45-1212 P-U2P11 132-223 FF31F-1 13P-323 465P5-2

BETTING 5-1 Gips Valu 6-1 Court Metody, 7-1 Full of Fire, Staunch Rival, 8-1 Spuffington, Woodlands Bo Distinctive 10-1 chars

FORM FOCUS

DUHALLOW LODGE basi Tourem Prince 3 in 7- tunner handrap chase al Tambon (3m. good) in STAUNCH RIVAL 51 2nd of 6 to Bishops Island in herbicato chasti at Essaler (2m. 77 110 pd. good) GALPA VALL 61 2nd of 5 to Romany Creek in handrap chase at Lesester (3m. good to 5 m) COURT MELODY basi Superier Rea. 4-1 in 13-	numer novice chase at Newton Abbot (3m 3) 110/d, soil) PLLL OF FIRE beat Jason's Boy 3t in 8-turner ameturs handresp chase at Lection (3m, good to 5m), SELVERINO 41 2nd of 15 to Harwell and in tendicap chase at Easter (2m 7) 110/d, good to soil, Selection: COURT MELODY (nep)

2.30 TOTE CREDIT HANDICAP HURDLE (\$6,288: 2m 6f) (16 runners)

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	103425-	FOREST FEATHER 244 (D,G) (D knos) C Weeten 8-11-13 . 8 Fenton (5) 93
	21030-P	NICK THE BEAK 40 (S) (N Wilson) J Uppon 7-11-11 R Supple 92
		INDIAN QUEST 16 (S) (J L Racing) N Gaseloe 7-11-7 D Gallacter 91
		MUNTAR 16 (S) (One Over Eight Partners) 6 Hammood 5-11-6 M Perter 95
		ASDRSTOCK 24 (6) (Mrs. M. Farbarn) R. Hodocs. 6-11-4 A. Tory 97
	00,511-F	DESMOND GOLD 35 (D.E.S) LI Scanion & J Torrey Min D Hams 8-11-1 J F Titley 90
	P-31602	JADIDH 11 JD.F.G.SJ (D Hazzard) C Wildman 8-11-0 D Salter (5) 98
	3120-15	FORTUNES COURSE 25 (CD.G.S) (Mrs. A Garrett) J King 7-11-0 G Utolon 95
	111211	PREENKA GIRL 11 (D.F.G.S) (Markin Pipe Racing) M Pipe 7-10-11. J Lower 96
		DARZEE 32 (C.F.S) (1 Walsh) P Hedger 6-10-11
	₹ 55-44	ABSOLUTELY AVERAGE 38 (Uplands Bloodstock) C Brook. 5-10-10 G Bradley 89
	30020-P	STAR MOVER 16 (U.S.) (1 Graves) C Smith 7-10-0 8 Ctarke (7) 98
	444-154	THE BORTAIL FOX 40 (F,G,S) (Racing Club OI Wates) P Hobbs 7-10-7 NV Marston M
	RE33PP3	SPECIAL ACCOUNT 25 (F.G.S) (I Frontis) C Barriell 10-10-5 . A P McCoy 95
	40 13F0	CATS N BARLEY 275 (D.G) (F Landingso) P Roding 7-10-3 S Burrough 93
	08440-5	RAMALLAH 32 (6.5) (Martiere Green Acres) J White 7-10-0 . D Bentley 85
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eat JADRDH (7th beller) 41 or 10-numer transferage handscap hundle at Faursion (gliedu (2m 21 110yds; heavy) DARZEE FORTUNIUS COURSE (3h baile) all) diept-hi g Dancas 61 m 14-nunus handisap and 61 Sth.
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3.05 YOUNG RA (£3,300: 2m) (8 runner

15,	Suur Zmji	(6 runners)	
1		SUPREME MUSIC 33 (F) (R Danne) P Nicholis 7-11-10 A P McCoy -	
2	23P20-2	SOVERBON NICHE 31 (V.F.G.S) (Anion Surfacing) M Proc 8-11-9 J Lower 91	
3	21453-6	MAJOR'S LAW 11 (6.5) (8 Razares J White 7-11-8 P McLoughin -	
4	12-3241	DAWN CHANCE 17 (D.F.S) (6 Strail) R Hodges 10-10-9 A Yory 96	
5	U&F3-32	POLICEMANS PRIDE 11 (R Dove) M Madgarck 7-10-7 8 Femion (5) 😭	
6	2-60032	RCHU 17 (P) (Mr. L. Richards) Mrs. L. Richards 8-10-2	
7	/1P2-P5	SNOW BOARD 149 (F) (F Saresbury) Mrs M Jones 7-10-0 D Byrne -	
Ē	/P-3550	PRECIOUS WONDER 11 (V) ID Ballet P Builet 7-10-0 J.R Navanagh 80	
ETTING: 3-1 Sovereign Niche, 4-1 Supreme Muses, Own Chance, 6-1 Major's Law Policemens Price Fichi			

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3.35 ROYAL WINDSOR NATIONAL HUNT MOVICES HURDLE (DIV II: £3,003: 2m) (17 runners)



FORM FOCUS

LUCKY EDDE best Garmen 1151 in 14-univer novice hurde at Tainton (2m 11, good) MOVA RNW 71 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) RNW 71 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Ruw 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad in National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad In National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad In National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad In National Huril Fair isce at Tainton (2m 15, good) Row 10 short-head 2m of 11 to Massaad In National H

Rising temperature lifts hopes of return

resume today after ten days of inactivity caused by the severe New Year's Day meetings were abandoned yesterday, but milder weather means prospects are good for a resumption at Exeter. Windsor and Southwell.

The meeting at Windsor hinges on a 7.30am inspection.

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: MORSTOCK Next best: Celibate (2.50) Exeter)

but conditions are reported to be improving. Hugo Bevan, the clerk of the course, said yesterday: "We have a 60 per cent chance of racing. The temperature is due to rise and it should not get below freez-

ing tonight."
Nick Ansell, the clerk of the course at Exeter, said: "I am confident racing will go ahead and no inspections are plan-

S-RAPID.

RACING in Britain should ned. The hurdles course is raceable and though there are a few frost patches on the weather conditions. Five of the chase course the forecast is for

> abandoned meeting on Saturday, "There are no problems and we are set to race," the clerk of the course. Ashley Bealby, said. "There is no frost forecast and the temperature is due to rise tomorrow."

> Elsewhere, there was little sign of a thaw as the number of meetings lost to the weather since Christmas grew to 34. Cheltenham's card, which was to feature two extra races designed to compensate for earlier abandonments, has been postponed until tomorrow. Prospects then, however.

> look no better. Edward Gillespie. course manager, warned: "We will need a considerable improvement in the weather. The frost has never left us since the cold snap began."

It was a similar story for today's meetings at Catterick. Leicester, Market Rasen and Uttoxeter, and tomorrow's fixture at Ayr also fell to frost.

EXETER

THUNDERER 12.45 Crosa's Delight. 1.15 Zabadi. 1.45 Hebridean. 2.15 Hightown Cavalier. 2.50 Plunder Bay. 3.25 Draborgie. 4,00 Hoh Magic.

12.45 HALDON SUNDAY MARKET SELLING

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101	FP03	OLD MONEY 19 (G) C Broad 16-11-12 T 2 Sharphy (2)	3
103	-102	SOUL TRADER 25 (V G) II Backage 7-11 10 D Matthews (2)	9
163	50-6	TAKE A FLYER 19 (F.G) R Hadge: 5-11-5 T Descombe (5)	3
102	-225	WHITEBOWNET 17 (B) C Egeron 6-11 . J Osborne	93
i De	F-21	CROSA'S DELIGHT 19 (C.G) U Pipe 9-11 5 D discovered	9;
106	0 - 43	COMMANDRE CREEK 45 (F) About du Plesso (+11-5 4 Magnete	95
104	20-2	MR PLAYPALL 19 6 Frost 6-11-1 J Frost	5
108	PO-P	DAVES DELIGHT 21 Abox 5 Wittaman 19 11-3 Mr 6 Shenkin (ii)	-
109	P0-P	BAYBELLINA 19 (B) B Eudlid 56-10 B Panel	SE
110	3-03	MILDRED SOPISA 19 (S) 4 Maches 9-16- Scene Michel 15)	94
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112		VINTAGE RED 17F (B) N i and an Dames to 18-5 G L'awellyn	Œ
113		ALLAHRAKHA 19 Not. J Ratter 5-10 : . J Locker	
114		SANDRO DC (B.CD.F.G.S) Micc Li Bowe 11 10-4 W Michaeland	ü
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		PALACE PARADE 61 4 Newcorter 6 10-3 S Fox (5)	50
		PLUM FAMCY 17 R From 8-10 3 R Darks	
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1.15 Thurlestone Hotel one Hundred

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2:3 3640 BROCKTON LIGHT 11 A Bustler 1	
214 0 ROSEVEAR 11 3 Mella 10-7	Chris Webb (5) -
215 6 SPARINLING YASHIN 24 P HOXE:	10.7 Peter Hobbs 98
11 4 March 2nd 1 7 Table 5-1 Gel Backers	Services Farmer & Comme

1.45 win with the tote novices chase

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-34	50-0	LALINON 16 IB, D Elsacith 5-11-7	P Holley	_
405	6-21	BIETSCHHORN SARD 32 D Gandullo 8-11	- A Maguire	90
406	3.6	RORDIC LADIE 17 P HOLDS 6-11-2	Pater Hobbs	
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2.30 HMS EXETER HANDICAP HURDLE (\$4,083 2m 2f) (18)

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51 4-4	C BALANAK 58 (S) D Gardoto 5-12-0	Cogton (Atabas (5)	90
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4: 212	I CELBATE 16 (F.G.S) C Mam 5-11-3	41 Kelly (7)	94
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511 -GF	D SUMMERHALL SPECIAL 30 (5) Mr. P (1)	dGald 5-19-5 P Holley	97
32	* VERYVEL 30 (S) J Bradley 5-10-7	R Johnson (3)	
": F5	PLUNDER BAY 36 (S) N Handerson 5-10	1-7 M A Fitzgeraid	96
530	- SMEUGCLER S PORNT 116F (F) in O'Sulkan	6-10-6 A Procter (3)	98
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3.25 Thurlestone Hotel one Hundred Handicap Chase (£3,480 2m 2l) (14)

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iGi i		TREVAYLOR 21 (C.G.S) P Hobbs 1, 11-11 J Osborne SUPSR TACTICS 27 (C.S) R Ainer 8-11-8 Mr P Henisy (S)	
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65.		RELESTAR 32 (F.S) P Hooks 8-11-0 G Tormey (3)	
668		SIMCN JOSEPH 31 (B,S) I George 9-10-11 T Jenus	
6.0	0.71	CLEAR (DEA 21 (F.G) R Frost 9-10-9 J Frost	
		COOLFIEE 13 (F G) P Nichalis 8-10-4 M A Fitzgerald (FENVICY 25 (F G S) F Hodges 9 10 3 T Obscombe (S)	
612	302	EVERUIG RAIN 33 (F.G. 3) A Hodges 10-10-0 B Powell	
	r.51	107-11.5 (EMSPO) 12 (F.G.S) J Brade: 9-10-0 R Johnson (3) 1	
614	20	FREES MAR CODY 19 F Turber 11-10-0 Chins Words (5)	
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20: -112 CHALLENGER DULUG 16 (8:05.5.) II POS (-11.7 D POS (-12.5 D POS (-11.7 D PO

SOUTHWELL THUNDERER

12.00 Non Vintage. 12.30 Cashmere Lady. 1.00 Taniyar. 1.30 Rambo Waltzer. 2.00 Stand Tall. 2.30 Noyan. 3.00 People Direct. 3.30 Eastleigh.

DRAW. 6F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST 12.00 ALEXANDRA MOTORS HANDICAP (Div I. £2,778: 2m) (9 runners)

9-4 Anjou, 7-2 Nymegen, 4-1 Non Vinlage, 5-1 Eau De Cologne, 7-1 Hullbank, 8-1 Fools Of Pride, 10-1 others.

12.30 NEW YEAR HANDICAP

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7	000-	SPET	AGAIN	118 /B.6	1 S Brown	ng 4-9-0		f. Team	m (6) 7
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3.00 CAMILLA SELLING STAKES (3-Y-0, £2,924, 1m) (12)



3.30 NEW YEAR HANDICAP

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OLYMPIC GAMES

July 20: Opening ceremony, Olympic Stadium, Atlanta.

Badminton (Georgia State University)

stamps-(India.

July 29: Mitted doubles quarier-final, women's doubles semi-fine!
July 30: Women's and men's singles semi-finals, women's and men's doubles bronze medal.

July 31: Women's and men's doubles gold medal, women's end men's singles bronze medal.

Aug 1: Women's medal men's singles pronze medal.

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Diving (Georgia Tech)

July 28: Women's platform preliminaries
July 27: Women's platform serra-finate and final.
July 28: Man's springboard preliminaries.
July 28: Man's springboard serra-finate and final.
July 30: Women's springboard serra-finate and final.
July 30: Women's springboard serra-finale and
July 31: Women's springboard serra-finals and

Dressage July 27 and 29: Team preiminaries. July 31: Individual Smal. Aug 3: Individual treeslyle Bnal.

Clessage July 24: Team jumping and individual drassage July 25: Individual jumping July 26: Individual jumping

July 20: Men's individual épéa. July 21: Women's midvidual épéa. July 22: Women's thic men's individual foil. July 24: Men's iseam épéa. July 24: Women's learn épéa. July 25: Women's learn épéa. Football

Preliminaries to be played at RFK Weshington, Citrus Bowl, Orlando and Legion Flaid, Birmsrgham, Alabama July 20-25: Man's and women's prefirmanes.
July 27-28: Women's and men's quarter-finate,
Legion Field, Orange Bowl, Marriz
July 28 and 31: Women's and men's semi-linate,
Linversity of Georgia.

final July 24: Men's inclividual all around final July 25: Women's individual all around final July 28: Men's floor exercise final, men's pommer horse final, men's rings final, women's vault heat, women's uneven bers final, women's vault final, men's perallel bars final, men's high bars final, women's floor exercise trail.

July 30: Gymnastic exhibition

runyumus Aug 1: Individual and group preliminanes. Aug 2: Individual preliminanes and group tinale. Aug 3: Individual tinals. Aug 4: Individual tinals. (Georgia World Congress Center)

Justy 24-31: Men's end wernen's preiminaries
Aug 1: Wormen's semi-finals end finals.
Aug 2: Men's semi-finale and finals.
Aug 3: Women's bronze and gold medal.
Aug 4: Men's bronze and gold medal.

(Atlanta University Center) July 20-25: Men's and women's pretraineries.
July 30: Women's pretraineries.
July 31: Wen's classification and semi-finals.
Aug 1: Women's finals, women's bronze and gold Aug 2: Men's finals, bronze end gold medals.

(Georgia World Congress Center) (Georgie World Congress Center)
July 20: Women's heavyweight (over-75kg) and
men's heavyweight (over-75kg).
July 21: Women's half-heavyweight (72kg) and
men's half-heavyweight (72kg) and
men's half-heavyweight (56kg)
July 22: Women's middleweight (56kg) and men's
middleweight (56kg).
July 23: Women's helf-middleweight (56kg) and
men's helf-middleweight (76kg).
July 24: Women's igntweight (56kg) and men's
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John Goodbody still

believes the Olympic Games to be the peak

of sporting endeavour here is no event on the

sporting calendar of quite such international interest or wide-ranging fascination as the Olympics. The 1996 Games in Atlanta will celebrate the centenary of the first modern Games in Athens and will be attended by a record 196 countries, only North Korea having refused an

It is the range of the activities that are encompassed within the 17 days of the Games that makes the Olympics such a compelling experience for spectators and billions of television viewers. The speed of the sprinter, the

flexibility of the gymnast, the strength of the weightlifter and the endurance of the marathon runner contribute to a spectacle that is matchless in its scope and quality. Certain countries, through tradition or particular ability, are expected to dominate certain activities in the programme of 26 sports. The Kenyan distance run-ners, the Japanese judo fighters and the American basketball players provide different aspects of the physical and technical properties of mankind:

However, what often separates the gold from the silver medalwhener is not physical but psychois frequently the athlete who achieves the focused determination on the day of the final. No contemporary competitor

has more consistently demonstrated this facility than oarsman Steve Redgrave who will be attempting to win a gold medal in four successive Olympic Games. This would be a unique feat in world rowing and also in any British

It would bring him level with two Olympic legends, Al Oerter, discus champion from 1956 to 1968, and Paul Elystrom, the Dane, who won four Finn class yachting titles between 1948 and 1960. Only Aladar Gerevich, who was a member of the successful Hungarian sabre team from 1932 stand higher in the Olympic'

Redgrave will be competing in the coxless pairs with Matthew Pinsent his partner in the 1992 Olympica. Since Barcelona. the pair have remained unbeaten and last year, they took their fourth auccessive world title.

Britain will also have a cluster of other prospective medal winners in rowing as well as in judo. yachting and swimming, where Mark Foster, Nick Gillingham,

July 21-22: Men's and women's heats. July 23-24: Men's and women's repechages July 25-26: Men's and women's semi-finite July 27-28: Men's and women's finite.

July 25: Women's 10m ar rifls, men's 10m as pistol; men's trap prelimeneres July 21: Men's trap; women's 10m air pistol. July 22: Men's 10m air rifle July 23: Men's 50m tree pietol; women's double

July 24: Women's 50m 3 x 20 nile, men's double tag; men's 25m rapid fire pistol. July 25; Men's 50m prone rile, men's 25m rapid fire petri; men's 10m run target preliminaries. July 28: Women's 25m sport pistol: men's 10m run tament: men's skeet preliminaries.

July 20: Women's 100m freestake, men's 100m breastatroke, women's 400m individual mediay, men's 200m freestroke. July 21: Women's 200m freestroke, men's 400m individual mediay, women's 100m breastatroke, men's 4 x 200m freestroke.

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July 22: Women's 400m treestroke, men's 100m
treestroke, women's 100m bacicstroke, men's
200m ily, women's 4 x 100m treestroke relay
July 23: Men's 400m treestroke, women's 200m
treaststroke, men's 100m backstroke,
women's 100m ily, men's 4 x 100m treestroke
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Ady 24; Men's 200m breaststroks, women's 200m individual medley, man's 100m by, women's 4 x 100m medley relay, women's 400m seestroke, prolamantes July 25; Men's 50m insestroke, women's 200m backstroke, man's 200m medley, women's 4 x 200m treastroke, man's 1,500m freestroke, prefimientes, women's 800m treastroke, prefimientes, women's 800m treastroke, women's 200m insestroke, men's 4 x 100m medley; women's 200m freestroke, men's 4 x 100m medley; men's 1,500m freestroke finals

Synchronised swimming (Georgia Tech)

July 30; Teem prefiminaries. Aug 2: Team finais.

Aug 1: Men's singles final.

(Georgia World Congress Center)

July 23-25: Singles and doubles prefirmant July 28: Man's and women's singles prefirm women's doubles quarter-linels, men's

singles preliminarias.
July 27: Men'is singles preliminarias, women's singles odes, men's doubles quarter-finels, women's doubles sami-finels.

July 28: Men's singles octos:
July 29: Men's singles octos:
July 29: Women's doubles linel, women's singles
July 30: Men's doubles semi-finals.
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July 31: Women's singles final, men's singles
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doubles semi-finals.

doubles semi-finals.
Aug 1: Men's singles semi-finals, women's and man's doubles trante model.
Aug 2: Women singles bronze and gold medals, men's doubles gold medal.
Aug 3: Men't, singles bronze and gold medals, women's doubles gold medal.

Teble Tennis

(Wolf Creek Shooting Complex)

July 21-27: Prelminarins July 29: Semi-finals July 30: Bronza and gold medals

Rowing (<u>Lake Lanier, Gainesville)</u>



Michael Johnson will be looking to complete a unique Olympic double at 200 and 400 metres

Karen Pickering and Sarah Hardcastle are among the more talented competitors.

However, the track is where the most intense interest will be. The will be opened in May, used for three months and then converted for baseball. In its short life it will see US Olympic trials and the Games themselves. Even if Linford Christie decides not to

Voltayball (University of Georgia and Omni Collecum)

July 20-29: Men's and women's preimmental July 20: Women's quarter-linels. July 31: Men's classification. Aug 1: Women's classification and sum-finels.

July 23-25: Women's and men's prelminante July 26: Women's and men's prelminarios, women's semi-finale July 27: Men's semi-finals, women's bronze and god medals. July 28: Men's bronze and gold medals,

July 20-26; Prelimentes. July 27: Classification and semi-finals. July 28: Classifications; bronze and gold medals

Weightlitting (Georgie World Congress Center)

Wheatling (Georgie World Congress Center)

July 30: 48kg, 57kg, 68kg, 82kg and 100kg pretrainance and classification. July 31: 48kg, 57kg, 68kg, 82kg and 100kg classification, bronze and gold medals. Aug 1: 52kg, 82kg, 74kg, 90kg, 730kg pretrainaties and classification. Aug 2: 52kg, 62kg, 74kg, 90kg, 130kg classification, bronze and goldmedals.

July 20: 48kg, 57kg 88kg, 82kg and 100kg preiminaries and disselfication. July 22: 52kg, 63kg 74kg, 90kg, 130kg preiminaries and disselfication. July 23: 52kg, 82kg, 74kg 90kg, 130kg disselfication, bronze and goldmadals.

July 22-23: Men's and women's Mistral, men's and women's 470. Star, Plan. July 24: Men's and women's Mistral, men's and women's 470, Star, Plan, Soling, Torredo July 25: Laser, Europe, Soling, Torrado July 26: Laser, Europe, Star, Plan, Soling, Torrado

Tornach
July 27: Man's and woman's Mastral, Laser,
Europe, Star, Finn. Soling, Tornado
July 28: Men's and women's Mestral, men's and
women's 470, Star Imals, Finn Imals, Soling
July 29: Men's and women's Mistral Imals, men's
and women's 470, Laser, Europe, Tornado.
July 90: Men's and women's 470 Imals, Laser,
Europe, Tornado finals,
July 31: Soling match races, Laser finals, Europe
finals
Aug 1: Soling match race finals.

Aug 4: Closing ceremony, Olympic Stadium.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Jan 6-7: Divisional play-offs. Jan 14: Conference championship games Jan 28: Superbowl XXX, Sun Devil Stockum,

Apr 14: Landon Monarchs v Scottish Claymores Apr 20: Franklut v London Monarchs Apr 21: Scottish Claymores v Barcelona.

Yechting (Wassaw Sound, Savannah)

Aug 1: Soing metch race finals.

National Football League

World League

Broco-Roman

Aug 3: Women's bronze and gold medals. Aug 4: Men's bronze and gold medals

Besich (Allania Beach, Cleyton County)

Water polo

defend his 100 metres title. Britain should still have available Backley, middle-distance runner Kelly Holmes and triple jumper Jonathan Edwards, whose selfdeprecating charm contrasts starkly with so much in an in-

creasingly commercialised sport. Edwards was the international athlete of the year for 1995 but

Apr 27: Phem Fire v London Monarchs
Apr 28: Scottish Claymores v Amsterdam
Mey 4: Rhem Fire v Scottish Claymores
May 8: London Monarchs v Barcetons.
Mey 11: Amstordam v London Monarchs,
Frankurt v Scottish Claymores
May 18: London Monarchs v Frankurt; Scottish
Claymores v Rhem Fire
May 28: Scottish Claymores v Frankurt
May 27: London Monarchs v Amsterdam
June 1: Amsterdam v Scottish Claymores,
June 2: Storetish Claymores v London Monarchs
June 16: London Monarchs v Amsterdam
Barcalona v Scottish Claymores

40 tool drams. July 20: NFA list division national championships, Prins Withorn Aug 3: Junior national championships, Prins Nane,

ARCHERY

Mar 17: National indoor championships,

Mar 17: National indoor championahips, Aylesbury Apr 9-14 Ohrmpic trials, Atlanta June 8-9: UK Masters, Liteshall June 17-23. European terget championsteps, Krampista Gora, Slovenia June 24-28: World held championships, Krampista Gora, Slovenia, July 4-8: Junor world championships, San Diego Aug 25-28: National compound championships, Aylesbury

ATHLETICS

Jan 19: Inter-counties cross country championships, Luton Jan 27: Gleat British v Russia (Indoor), Emmogram. Reb 3-4: AAA Indoor championships, Bernargham. Reb 4: Ricch Indoor Tour, Stutigart Reb 10: Ricch Indoor Tour, Stutigart Reb 10: Ricch Indoor Tour, Levin, France Reb 14: Gleat British v Ramoe, Indoorly, Glassow Reb 26: Gleat British v Ramoe (Indoor), Glassow Reb 26: Ricch Indoor Tour, Stechham, ESAATSB indoor insamabonal, Birmingten.

Mar 2, TSB English Schools cross country championships, Weymouth

championships, Weymouth.

Mar 3: British world cross country trials, vibc.

Mar 8-10: European indoor chempionships,

Stockholm

Mar 23: World cross country championships,
South Africa

May 35: Top Scrools final author class country, have.

Apr 5-10: World schools' cross country championships, Antalya, Turkey Apr 21: Flora London Marsithon
May 5: São Peolo Grand Priz.
May 12: Tokyo Grand Priz.
May 19: AAA v Loughborough, vibc.
May 19: Welsh Games, vibc.
May 25: Welsh Games, vibc.
May 25: Welsh Games, vibc.
May 25: Eugene Grand Priz.
May 25: 27: CAU inter-counties championships, Bedford.

June 1-2 European Cup, Madrid June 1-2 European Cup, Madrid June 14-16: Britsh Ölympic Inels, Brimingham June 28-Para Garaid Phis. June 28-29: Scottsh chempionshaps, vibe.

retain this title if Michael Johnson completes a unique Olympic double of the 200 and 400 metres. The person who came closest to this feat was Eric Liddell, with a gold in the 400 metres in the "Chariots of Fire" Games of 1924, when sport languished in a more innocent

Then there is Haile Gebresi-

July 12: Crysial Palace Grand Pro. July 12: 13: ESAA/TSB Irack and field chargeonstrips. Stretted July 14: Great Britain v Russia v Germany under 23. Heshard July 20: TSB schools track and held internal





5,000 and 10,000 metres world records in 1995 and may attempt the double which brought immortality to men like Emil Zapotek. Vladimir Kuts and Lasse Viren.

These will certainly be the Games of the United States, in the city which is the headquarters of uct, and in the country whose television pays more than 50 per

Atlanta is expecting 200,000 vi tors for an event which has II million tickets on sale, beginning with the opening ceremony on

zenith of sporting endeavour.

cent of the worldwide rights.

When Los Angeles staged the 1984 Olympics, the venues of even the smallest sports were packed. The Americans revere the Olympics. For them, and for so many other countries, they remain the

Jan 15-21: BMW World Cup, Corane, Italy, Jan 22-28: European champonships and BMW World Cup Inal, SI Montz, Jan 29-Feb 2: British champonships, SI Montz, Jan 29-Feb 4: Junior world championships, Corane

indoor), sem-innes feb 12-25. World indoor singles and pains championships, Preston Mar 1-9: EWIBA championships. Southempton Mar 4-8: Men's British Isles championships and international senes, Audionlech. Mar 9: Yetton Trophy finals, Southampton. Mar 19-17. Denny Cup sem-lines and finals, Lawson Park.

Lawson Pari. Mar 18-21: Women's British Isles championships and whemational series, Llanetii Mar 18-31: Men's world outdoor championships.

Mar 29: Moreo tours competition, lines stagges, york.
Mer 31: Egham Trophy semi-finitis and kinals, Hushcliffe.
Apr 5-7: "Frizzeil" immed pairs competition, semi-finals and lines, Blacksool.
Apr 13-20: EBA championships, Melton Mowbray.
Apr 19-21, Women's world indoor singles championship, Guernisey.
Apr 21: Liberty Trophy final, Melton Mowbray.
May 12: Women's international trials, Learnington.

Spa June 21-24: Women's International series and

British Isks, championsines, Learnington,
July 1-5: Men's British Iskes championships and
memational series, Bettast,
Listy 4: Women's double rink, Section lines
July 13-14: Women's purpor internationals,
Landrindod Welts

July 25: Johns trophy (women), section Intil. Aug 3-18: Women's world outdoor

Aug 18-30: Esa nazional championamps, Worthing
Aug 24: Champion of champions singles competition, Worthing,
Aug 28: Johns hophy (worthen), semi-final and finals, Learnington Spa Aug 27: Women's double mik, semi-final and finals, Learnington Spa.
Aug 28-Sept 7: EWBA national championships, Learnington Spa.

Learnington Spa Aug 31: Middleton Cup brais, Worthing Sept 1: Netional Junior singles championship.

vitic Sept 14-15: Junior international series, Scotland Sept 17-18: Man's and nomen's national inteed

tours competition, Blaby.

Sept 21-22: Ashbourne Homes men's and women's national mixed pairs. Watlord Sept 22-29: International open indoor singles.

Presion

Oct 5-8; Irich international mestors singles,

Bellymoney
Nov 28-28: Scottish masters and Scottish national singles championships, Coatbridge

Jan 28: Young England v Young Germany
Blackpool.
Feb 5: England v South Ainca, London.
Reb 5: England v South Ainca, London.
Mer 6: AAC Chemponships, finals, Birmingham
Mer 18: World Bosing Council heavyweight
championship, Frank Bruno (GB, holder) v
Mike 17son (US), Las Vegas.
Mar 28-Apr 8: European servor championschips,
Vejle, Dermank.

championships, Learnington Aug 18-30: EBA national championships,

Jan 14: Under-25s international v Wales, Victory, Jan 24-20: Welsh Masters, Welsh man's indicat singles semi-finels and that, Lanelli Feb 3-4: National under-25 singles, Nethingham Feb 10: Liberty Trophy after-lourny championship finding semi-innels.

Sloke-on-Trent.
Aug 10; Monte Carlo Grand Prb.
Aug 14; Zunch Grand Prb.
Aug 18; Cologne Grand Prb.
Aug 18; Great Britain v United States, Gathelhead
Aug 21; St. World unfor championships, Sydney
Aug 22; Brussels Grand Prb.
Aug 30; Befin Grand Prb.
Sept 7; Grand Prb Intal, Milan.
Sept 20; ESAA/TSB race walk, Berningham.
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Berningham. Berningham. Nov 3: New York Marnithon Dec 7: ESAA/TSB cross country cup, Lancastor

BADMINTON

Pelo 17-24: Thomas and Uber Cups world learn championships, Prague. Mar 9-10: DSS All-England veterans championship, Wimbledon. Mar 12-16: All-England championships, Semonitary.

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BASKETBALL

Jan 12: 7UP Trophy final, Berningham.
Feb 28: European champlonship semi-final round imen), Russia v England.
Mar 3: Senshury's National Cup finals (men and woman), Sheffield Arena
Mar 8: European Kordec Cup final (first leg).
European Rochett Cup Imal (first leg)
Mar 12: European Cup (men), linel, Visone, Spain
Mar 13: European Korac Cup final (second leg).
European Rochett Cup Imal (second leg)
Mar 21: European Cup (women), final
Apr 11: European champonship, final, Paris.
Apr 23-14: NBL play-offs.
Apr 20-21: NBL play-offs.
Apr 27-28: National trophy, Junker and Cadet Indian.

May 4-5: Budweiser championship Imals, May 4-5: Budnesser championship arises, Wembley
Sept 9: Start of 1996-97 English season
Oct 30: European championship (men), semi-finat round England v Lahva.
Nev 27: European championship (men), semi-finat round, Estonia v England.
Dee 18: European championship (men), semi-finat nound, Germany v England.

BIATHLON

Feb 1-4. European championships, vibc. Feb 11-18: World championships, Ruhpolding. Germany.
Feb 25-Mer 3, Junica world championships,
Ostbilo Sweden.

BILLIANDS ... Feb 27-Mar 7; UK championships, Wigan Sept 25-30; World championships, Bombay

CANOEING BOBSLEIGHING

May 3-5: 16th international Olympic Registe, Hazewinkel, Belgrum.
June 14-16: Widessier world championships for seniors, Landed/Sannia, Austra.
Aug 24-25: Marathon razing world championships, Vasholm, Sweden
Oct 7-13: Cance polib world championships, National

CRESTA RUN

CROQUET

May 13-19: Men's and women's champio Chetenham
Julie and July: MacRobertson Sheld,
Nothingham, Bonden, Plarkestone,
Chetenham
July 7-14; Open chempionships, Hurlingham
Sept 5-8: President's Cup, Hurlingham
Sept 11-15: Berlow Bowl, Chetenham,

CURLING

CACTIME

Jan 14: National cyclo-cross championship Jan 14: National Groto-cross championships. Birmigham.
Feb 3-4: World cyclo-cross championships. Montreati, Parls.
Mar 17: Grand Prix of Essex, Halsteed Apr 5: International track meeting, Herne Hill Apr 6-8: Grand noad rece, Scotland Apr 14: Archer Grand Phy, Beaconsteld Apr 21: Wellyn-Heifield Grand Prix. Apr 27: 22: Lands Classic, Hulf May 2-8: Thysites Grand Prix, Lancashire May 18-22: Tour of traly.
May 19: Lincoln Grand Prix National Thomses

May 19: Encorn Grand ritti, response to the service trial chargeonship, High Wycombe.
May 24-27: National track chargeonships, Manchester,
Manchester,
May 25-26: Tour of the Kingdom of File June 2: National 25-miles time trial championship.

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June 9: Five Valleys road race, Port Tallor June 15-18: Edurburgh Grand Prit. Meadowbenk,
June 21. Marit international Douglas Isle of Man June 22-23: Cleveland Grand Prit track moeting June 23: National road race championship, vibol National 50-miles fine trial championship, Newsastie-upon Tyne,
June 29-July 21: Tour de France,
July 28: National 100 miles hime Iral championship, New Romney
Aug 4: Tour of the Cosswolds
Aug 12-18: Tour of Britan (provisional)
Aug 18: Leeds World Cup Classe road race,
Aug 28-Sept 1: World track championship.
Bournemouth
Bournemouth

Bournemouth Sept 7-29: Tour of Spain Sept 12-15: National track championships Manchester
Sept 22: Tour of the Peak
Sept 22: Tour of the Peak
Oct 34: World owd championships, Switzerland
Oct 27: National hill climb championship.
Modestrough
Nov 9-10: International track meeting.
Manchester

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World Cup seeks to embrace cricket's growing brotherhood

ery sport seem to be staging a global jamboree every four years and spending the next three tinkering with the product. What can they do to extract more money from sponsors and television next time? How can they keep up the sport's profile with competitors? Tinker, tinker, tinker, that is how - and in doing so. they sorely test the patience and commitment of the devot-

Cricket's sixth World Cup. which opens with a ceremony in Calcutta on February II. is unlikely to break this pattern. Although India, Pakisian and Sri Lanka, the hosts, will stage two fewer matches than the 39 put on by Australia and New Zealand when the event last took place, in 1992, this time the nine Test-playing nations will be joined by three new- the minnows of Holland, Kenya and the Uni-



Simon Wilde questions whether an expanded tournament will

satisfy cricketing devotees

It was widely accepted that the last tournament, in which the nine teams were reduced to four semi-finalists by means of one league, employed the fairest format yet adopted. This time the weeding out will be more laborious, with the 12 teams divided into two leagues of six, at the conclusion of which - in all probability just one Test team will have

been eliminated. The organisers, who are sure to reap large profits, will not care about this absurdity and nor will the television companies, who expect that the final in Lahore on March 17 will claim a worldwide audience of 1.5 billion, an impressive increase on the one billion that watched Pakistan beat England by 22 runs in

One alteration, at least, is essential. It was imperative that the farcical rain-rule that left South Africa needing 22 runs from one ball to beat England in a semi-final in Sydney was abandoned and a more logical system is on the verge of being adopted. Some innovations from the

Australasian tournament are here to stay. Coloured clothng, white balls and floodlights are now an established part of the cricketing scene and it is conceivable that before the next World Cup is held, in England in 1999, a Test match will have been played under these conditions. Such a prominent stage will

make and break reputations and encourage some to announce their retirements while Tendulkar and Brian Lara may vie for the batting honours, three spinners. Anil Kumble, Mushtaq Ahmed and Shane Warne, for the bowling plaudits, and Jonty Rhodes may remain pre-emi nent in the outfield. For those who succeed, there

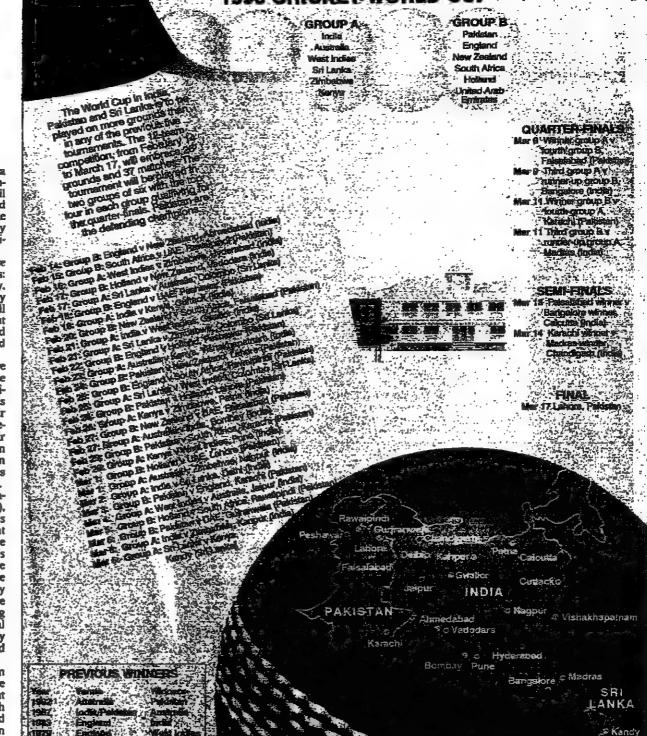
be sizeable riches: not through prize-money. meagre (the winning team will collect a mere £20,000), but from commercial spin-offs and gifts from governments and

And this, of course, is where the trouble started after the last World Cup. when Pakiof Imran Khan, then their dominated thoughts and led, it has been alleged, to prolific betting on the outcome of their matches and attempts at match-fixing.

The position of the International Cricket Council (ICC), the world governing body, is open to ridicule by the fact that it is not responsible for the day-to-day running of this World Cup. That is in the hands of the hosts, whose organising committee recently needed to be urged to take responsibility for scrutinising ground safety after several people were killed and many ured when a wall collapsed

If only for the sake of its own credibility, the ICC will be anxious that the tournament passes off smoothly, which may also depend on India and Pakistan not being drawn together in the knockout stages. For political and ethnic reasons, they have not met at anything but a neutral venue

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Imran Khan (holding flag) and his Pakistan team celebrate victory in the 1992 final

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Other matches at Lord's

May 1: MCC v MCC Young Cnoketers
May 21: MCC v Gub Cricket Conference
May 22: MCC v McIands Club Cricket Conference
June 13: England v New Zealend (women)
June 25: Eton v Harrow (provisional)
July 16: MCC v McC Schools
July 17: MCC v McC Schools
July 17: MCC v Schools v NAYC
July 18: NCA VC v Combined Services
Aug 7-8: MCC v Scotland
Aug 20: Lombard World Challenge (under-15) and
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Aug 28: MCC Trophy fire)

Sep 10: MCC v Cricket Touring Club De

July 30: William Hill Cup, Goodwood
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Oct 19: Dubas Chumpton Stakes. Neumana.
Oct 19: Dubas Chumpton Stakes. Neumana.
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Nov 18: Mackeson Gold Cup.
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Nov 30: Hernassy Cognac Gold Cup. Newtony
Dec 14: Trajespirit Gold Cup. Chenomam
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Dec 28: King George, if Tratespirit Chase.
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REAL TENNIS

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May 25-28: National Schools Preguins, Notingham
May 31-June 2: Luceme International Regala.
June 12-15: Cambridge University May Races
June 22-23: Henley Women's Regala.
July 3-7: Henley Royal Rogala.
July 19-41: National Championalines. Notingham
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The Times calendar of sport 1996

Continued from page 29 DISABLED SPORT Feb 4-10: Davis and Federation Cups of Wheelchair Tennis, Melbourne. Feb 10-11: National air rifle championships. Wolverhampton. Feb 10-18: European steing championships, Sweden (vtbc). Apr 24-28: European cycling championships, Florence. May 2-5: Misublah Motors Bedminton Horse gern. British intermediate toll chempionships. Jan 10; Coce-Cole Cup, fifth round. Jan 27; FA Cup, tourth round; Tennents Cup, third. Feb 17: FA Cup, 68th round; Tennents Cup, fourth Feb 21: Coca-Cola Cup, first semi-finel, second Feb 25: Coca-Cola Cup, second semi-linel, mer 9: FA Cup, stain round; Ferments Cup, fish

Michael Schumacher celebrates his second motor racing world championship with the head of Benetton, Flavio Briatore. Schumacher will drive for Ferrari in 1996

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May 4: final FA Careing Personal Processor May 3: FA Sunday Cup final.
May 8: European Cup Winners' Cup final.
May 9: TA Cup Final, Wernbley, May 15: Leta Cup final, second leg, May 16: England v Hungary, Wernbley, Tennents Cup Intel
May 18: FA Carisberg Vere final, Wernbley, May 18: England v Hungary, Wernbley, Tennents Cup Intel
May 25: End Lindow Trophy final, Wernbley, May 25: Endsleigh Insurance League stund division play-off final, Wernbley, May 27: Endsleigh Insurance League final division play-off final, Wernbley, June 8-30: European Champlonehipe, England (see graphic, page 33).
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June 22-30: Club class championship,
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Line 22-July 7: European club class
championships, Stovenia,
June 23-July 7: Lavender Glöde (pre-Worlds),
S; Auban, France,
July 6-14: Sandard class British nebonal
championships, Dunstable

Men
Jan 4-7: Mercedes Chemponships, Carlsbed,
Jan 5-12: Apolio Week, San Roque, Spain
Jan 11-14: Nortel Open, Tucson,
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Jan 17-21: Bob Hope Chrysler Cassac, Paim
Desert, California,
Jan 24-27: Princerix Open, Scottsdele, Artzona,
Jan 25-26: Johnnia Walker, Cassic, Singepore,
Feb 1-4: Herreken Classic, The Wires, Parth
Feb 8-11: Dimension Deta Pro-Am, San Chy.
Buck invitational, La Jola, California,
Feb 15-18: Affed Durhall South Africs PGA
Championship, Johanniesburg, United
Artines Hawalian Open, Honolulu.
Feb 22-25: FNB Players championship, Durhan
Feb 22-25: Nissan Open, Pacific Palasdee,
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Mar 7-10: Mornocan Open, Agasin; Honder
Classic, Coral Springs, Florida.

Mar 14-17: Duber Desert Classic; Bay Hill

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Mer 1-1.1. American Springs, Fiorida.
Classic, Coral Springs, Fiorida.
Mer 14-17: Duber Desert Classic; Bay Hill invitational, Orlando.
Mer 21-24: Portuguesé Open, viber, Freeport McDermott Classic, New Orleans
Mer 23-31: Madeira Intend Open, Players
Champeonship, Portie Vedra Beach, Florida.
Apr 47: BeilSouth Classic, Menetia, Georgia
Apr 11-41: US Masters, Augusta.
Apr 18-21: Carmes Open, McI Classic, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.
Apr 25-28: Turesparia Masters, viba: Kmart Georgia Carolina.
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May 2-5: Italian Open, Milan: Sheil Houston Open.
May 9-12: Peugeol Stantish Open, wiba. GTE.
Byron Nelson Classic, Irving, Teoas.
May 16-19: Benson and Hedges international Open. The Oxfortshire GC; Master Card Colonal Iournament, Mulripel Vilage, Ohio.
May 20-21: Five Tours Andersen Consulting European regional chemponships, viba.
May 30-June 2: Deutsche Bank Open, Hamburg.
Memosel tournament, Mulripel Vilage.
June 5-9: English Open, Forest of Arden, Buck Classic, New York.
June 13-16: US Open. Oskiand Hills; Jersey Open, La Moya.
June 20-23: BMW international open, viba, FedEr June Charles Marmohis.

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Connecticut.
July 47: Murphy's Irish Open, Commett,
Connecticut.
July 48-9: Girls British Open, Lemont, Birnots.
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July 49-13: Scottish Open, Lemont, Birnots.
July 10-13: Scottish Open, Campioriship,
July 13-15: Garls Forme internationals, Formby
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July 13-15: Garls Forme internationals, Formby
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July 18-21: Open Champioriship, Royal Lythern
and St. Armer's, Deposit Gussarity Classic,
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Apr 6-7; Duncan Putter, Southerndown.
Apr 12-14: Central England open men's
foursomes, Woodnell Spa
May 4-8; Lythern Trophy, Royal Lythern and St
Arme's; Berleinus Trophy, Berleinus
May 11-12: International match England

Aug 8-11: US PGA, Valmala GC, Louawille; Hohe Brücke Open, Litechau, Austra Aug 15-18: Chemapol Trophy Casch Open, Marrensial Lazne GC, Sprini erlemational, Castle Rook, Colorado Aug 23-25: Volvo German Open, Stuzgart, NEC world series, Auton, Oldehoma; Greater Verscouver Open.

Aug 89-Sept 1: Canon Europeen Mautiers, Cranteur-Serre, Switzenland: Greater Milwaukee Open.

Sept 6-8: Brüten Musters, Colingtree Park, Bell Canadian Open, Calville, Oritano Bept 12-18: Lancome Trophy, St-Normia-Brüteche, Paris; President's Cup. Lake Memosaia, Virgima, Quad Cey Classus. Coll Valley

Sept 19-22: Leoh Lormond world shikational, Loch Lormon GC, BC Open, New York.

Sept 26-29: Smurth European Open, The 'N Cub. Dublin; Buick Chellenge, Prie Mourtain.

Dubin; Buick Chiesenge, Paris Mouricer.
Georgia.

Oct. 3-6: Lise Vegas invitational.
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Oct. 10-13: Afferd Durinti Cup, St Andrews,
LaCentera Teras Open, San Antoruo
Oct. 17-20: Toyota World Match Play
championship, Wertheorth; Oldsmobile
Classic, Lake Buena Velta, Plantia.
Oct. 24-27: Volvo Masters, Validerrane, USPGA
Tour championship, Tutsa, Oldahoma,
Oct. 31-Nov. 3: Serazen World Championship,
Alfantia. July 9-10: Northern seniors chempionship,

Nov 21-24: World Cup' of Golf, Cape Town Dec 19-2: World championship, Tryeli, Monlego Bay, Jamaios.

Women
Jen 11-14: Chrysler-Plymouth Tournament of Champions, Orlando.
Jan 19-21: Healthsouth Inaugural, Otlando.
Feb 22-24: Cup Noodles Hawaien Ladies Open.
Mer 14-17: PingWelsch Championship, Arcone.
Mer 21-24: Standard Register Ping, Phoeno.
Mer 28-31: Nabreco Dineh Shore, Californe.
Apr 47: Sacrementa LPGA Classic, Californe.
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Apr 49: Se Welsh Open, Si Pierre, Chepstow, Sprint.
Talaholders Championship, Floride.
Mey 9-12: McDonald's LPGA championship,
Delaware

May 9-12: McDrain's 17-54 charles and Cunta co Paru, Lisbon
May 23-26: LPGA Coming Classic, New York, May 24-26: Dichi Open, viba. May 24-26: LDC Penney LPGA Skins Game, Texas. May 35-26: LC Penney LPGA Skins Game, Texas. May 30-June 2. US Women's Open, Southern Pines, Morth Carolina.
June 8-8: Oldsmobile Classic, Michigan June 7-8: Forth-Simanol Danish Open, Vejic, Denmark.

Dermark. June 13-16: Deesse Swass Open, Mauson Blanche, Geneva. June 14-18: The Edina Reality LPGA Classic, June 14-18: The Edina Reality LPGA Classic, Mirrhosotte.

June 19-22: Even Masters, Royal Evlan, France, June 20-22: Rochester International, New York, June 20-22: Rochester International, New York, June 27-90: Austrian Open, Vierna, June 28-90: ShopRie JPGA Classic, New Jersey, June 28-90: ShopRie JPGA Classic, New Jersey, July 42-1: Hennessy Cup, Cologne, July 5-1: Herne Fair Knoger Classic, Onio, July 18-21: Frendly's Classic, Massochusetts, July 18-21: Frendly's Classic, Massochusetts, July 35-28: Heartland Classic, Massochusetts, July 35-28: Heartland Classic, Massochusetts, July 36-28: Heartland Classic, Massochusetts, July 36-28: Heartland Classic, Alberna, Canada, Aug 14: Du Meurie Lid Classic, Alberna, Canada, Aug 18-18: Weetsbox women's British Open, Woburn, Aug 25-25: Trygg Hanse Open, Hanninge.

Aug 15-18: Weetsber women's British Open, Wobum.

Aug 22-25: Trygg Hansa Open, Hanrige. Stockholm.

Aug 23-55: Sar Bank LPGA Classic. Onto. Aug 23-5cp1 1: Compact Open, Orebro, Sweden. Aug 23-5cp1 1: Compact Open, Orebro, Sweden. Aug 31-Sept 2: Stelle Farm Rail Classic, Illinois Sept 6-8: LPGA Champtonship, Oregon.

Sept 11-13: Ladies' home internesionals. Longwiddly GC Sept 12-15: SAFECO Classic, Westwigton Sept 20-22: Solheim Cup. St Perre, Chaptons Sept 20-22: Solheim Cup. St Perre, Chaptons Sept 20-22: Selheim Cup. St Perre, Chaptons North Caroline, Mando Open, Harrburg, Out 38: Jul Big Apple Classic, New York, Three Nations Cup, Harri-Chaptelle, Beighirm.

Cit 10-13: Betsy King LPGA Classic. Perresylvenia, Italian Open, I Piccold Oct 17-20: Semsung World Champtonship, Cheju Island, South Kores, French Open, Le Menga.

Cit 24-27: Sensen Open, La Menga.

Oct 25-27: Nichrich International, Ibarago-ken, Japan
Nov 1-2: Tortay Jepan Queens: Cup

Japan Nov 1-3: Toray Japan Queens Cup Dec 5-8: JC Penney Cleade, Florida. Dec 13-15: Diner's Club Matches LaCuinta.

California. Dec 21-22: Wendy's Three Tour Challenge. Onlo

Surringdale.

May 17-19: Brabezon Trophy, Royal St George's.

May 18-19: Welch mid-smallaur chempionehip.

June 3-8: British Amateur chemplonship, Tumberly, June 5-7: English open seniors chemplonship, West Lancs and Ormslan June 13-14: Ish Open Amateur chemplonship, Fote Island, Co Cofe, June 15-16: Scottash strokeplay chemplonship, Cardross and Helensburgh June 20-23: Scottash mid-emateur chemplonship, Basigopanie

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July 9-fit: Northwin are harispool.
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July 14-15: Open Chempioniship final qualdying.
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Southport and Arestale.
July 27-51: South of heland chempioniship.
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July 29-Aug 3: English Armeter championiship.
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Ourber, Welsh amaseur championship,
Ashburmham
Aug 6-9: Girk: British Open Amaleur
Championship, Fornity,
Aug 7-9: British seniors championship, Blargowrie
and Rocemount and Linisdowne
Aug 10-14: Insh Amateur championship, Royal Co
Down.
Aug 14-18: British Mid-Amateur championship
(over-25s), Hilliside
Aug 21-23: Ladies British Open Amateur
strokepiay championship, Contey
Aug 22-25: International European championship,
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Aug 23-25: Logan Trophy (English Open over \$5 strokepley champtonship). Pennal Aug 30-31: St Andrews Trophy, Woodhall Spa. Sept 8-7: English champon dub tournament, Hittor Huerr.
Sept 11-13: Home Internationals, Morey Sept 22: County champtons tournament, The Berkshre. Berkshen.
Sept 27-29: English county finals. Woodhall Soe.
Oct 1-2: Senior Ladies' British Open Ameteur
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Oct 3-8: Central England open mixed loursomes
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Apr 15-21: World chempionships, Puerto Paco May 9-12: European chempionships (men) Copenhagani May 18-18: European chempionships (women), Birminchem.

Birmingham.
May 29-June 2: European rhythmsc champtonempo, Osto/Asker.
June 21-23: World champtonehpe, Budepest HOCKEY

Jan 19-28; Olympic qualitying tournament, Barcelona. Feb 9t Indoor club championships finals, Crystal Balace Palecs
Feb 16-18: European indoor club championship.
B division. Brussels.
Apr 5-8: European Cup-Winners' Cup, A division.
The Haguo
Apr 9: HA Cup semi-finals.
Apr 12-14: Inter-league tournament, Milton
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Keynes
Apr 15-21, Sta nations tournament, Atlanta.
Apr 20-21: Norwich Umon County championship Apr 20-21 return to the preference of the prefer Keynes.
May 24-27: European dub championships, A
division, Mulhelm, Germany: B division.
Prague.
June 14-18: Four nations tournament. Mitton

Keynes June 17-23/5e retions tournement, Heftend Dec. 18th champions trophy, Madres.

Jan 26-28: Indoor European regions cup, Glasgow, Indoor national league play-of Feb 17-18: Indoor European club champional

Feb 17-18: Indoor European dub drampet de-Brinslave.

Mar 1: AEWHA Cup louth round

Mar 9-10: Ineland v England, Dublin

Mar 17: AEWHA Cup, trith round

Mar 24: England v France, Mitton Keynes

Mar 31: AEVHA Cup, ueth round

Apr 5-8: European Crubs Cup Winners Cup,

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Apr 19-21: National League play-offs,

Mitton Leynes

Apr 27-28: County champonship finals,

Bournemouth

May 24-27: European club championship.

ICE HOCKEY

Jan 1-7: World women's championships, Canada. Mar 20-26: European women's championships. Pool A. Russa. Mar 30-31. British championship. Wembey Apr 4-14: World championship. Pool B, Holland. Apr 21-May 5: World championship. Pool A. Verna.

ICE SKATING

Jam 5-6: British speed stating that track championships, Guiddord Jam 6: British short-track championships, Guiddord Jam 19-21: European speed shating championships, Heerenveen, Holland Jam 20-21: European speed shating short mack championships, Chorotdorf, Germany Jam 21-28: European ligure shating championships, Sofie, Championships, Sofie, Championships, Heerenveen Eb 23-25: Grand Prot Irials, Patris Mord speed shating shampionship, Lee visite, London.

Mar 18-24. World bigure shating shampionships, Edmonton, Canada.

JUDO Apr 13: Braish open championships, Birmingham May 9-12: European senior championships. The Oct 19-20: European team championships. St

LACROSSE Mar 10: Finals for Stockport Cup and Lancashire Cup.
Mar 17: Norman Berber Cup Sira:
Mar 17: Norman Berber Cup Sira:
Mar 24: Cup Sinals for Dawd Beesle, Cup, Nigel
Wayne Trophy, Junor and under-16 cups.
Mar 31: The Dayly Telegraph Senior Flags Sinal
(north), Debbury
Apr 13: South of England Flags Sinals, Morspur
First.

Mar 16: National schools championship, Million Keynes
Mar 23-24: National clubs and colleges
tournament, Cobharn.
Mar 90: Wales v Scotland
Apr 13: Scotland v England. Edinburgh.
Apr 20: England v Wales, High Wycombo.
June-July: England tour to Carada.

MODERN PENTATHLON

MOTOR CYCLING Mar 31: Malaysion road _-cing grand pro. Grant Alam

Apr 7: Indonessn road racing grand prix, Sentut Apr 14: San Marino superbis grand pris, Nasano Apr 21: Lipanese road racing grand prix, Suzuka Apr 28: British superbike grand prio. Dorangion

Park.
May 12: Sparish road racing grand prix, Jerez;
German superbisk grand prix, Hockenheim
May 18: Franch superbisk grand prix, Le Mans
May 26: halan road racing grand prix, Mugello,
June 9: Franch road racing grand prix, Migello,
June 93: Dutch road racing grand prix, Mise
June 90: Casch superbisk grand prix, Assen
June 90: Casch superbisk grand prix, Assen
July 71: German road racing grand prix,
Nibturgring
July 21: British road racing grand prix, Donington
Park, Unded States superbisk grand prix,
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Sept 25: present Jamento Oct 9: Argentine road racing grand prix, Buenos Aires; Spanish superbiles grand prix,

MOTOR RACING

Mer 10: Australian grand pro., Melbourne Mar 31: Grazikan grand pro., Interlagos Apr 8: Argentine grand pro., Buenos Arres Apr 22: Pacritic grand pro., Auta. May 18: Monaco grand pro., Morte Carlo June 2: Spanish grand pro., Barcelona June 18: Canadian grand pro., Montreal June 30: French grand pro., Montreal June 30: Event grand pro., Suberstone. July 14: British grand pro., Suberstone. Aug 4: Hunganan grand pro., Budapesi Aug 25: Belgium grand pro., Spa-Francotof Sept 8: Italian grand pro., Monza. Sept 22: Portuguese grand pro., Estori Sept 27: Japanese grand pro., Sucuka

Jam 20-26: Monte Corto raily.
Feb 8-12: Swedish raily
Mar 5-5: Raily of Portugal
Mar 22-23: Vauvhali Raily of Wales, Chester
Agr 4-7: Satrai raily, Nasrobi
Agr 14-15: Le Mans 24-hour raily
Agr 27-29: Prelii international raily, Carisile.
May 15-10 our de Corse Ajacco, Corsica.
May 10-12: Yayasan raily, indonesa.
May 31-lune 1: Perm Scottsh raily
June 1-5: Accopols raily, Arhens
July 26-80: Fally of New Zestand, Auckland.
Aug 1-3: Ulster retematonal raily, Betlast
Aug 23-25: 1000 Laises raily, Jayaskyla, Finland
Sept 12-14: Mare international raily, Betlast
Aug 23-25: 1000 Laises raily, Jayaskyla, Finland
Sept 13-16: Teista Raily Austialia, Perth
Oct 12-18: Raily Senterno, Italy
Nov 3-10-chon to Brighton veteran car run
Nov 3-8: Raily of Spain, Llorel de Mar
Nov 24-27: Natwork O RAC Raily, Chester/Leeds

Feb 11: England v Scotland, Glasgow. Feb 24: England v Northern Ireland, Ponsmouth. Mar 10: England v Republic of tretand Dublin. Mar 23: England v Wales Bedford Apx 28: National club sems-finals and final

Mar 2: British right chempionships, Wales Apr 5-8; Jan Njehstrom International Testival, Claydamb May 4-8; British championshipo, Oban Nov 10; British schools championships, Scotland.

May 10-26: Prince of Wales Troohy RCBPC May 14-June 2 Royal Windsor Cup, Guards

POWERBOATING

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July 14: Would offshore cross record
championships, Dundon
European Class One championahip
Aug 18: First round, Needles Trophy.
Aug 22-25: Second round, Caves-Torquay
Classes.

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UK offshore boating sesociation series
May 5: Sorthead Trophy
June 8-9: Humber Grand Prot.
June 80: Hawhaven Grand Prot.
July 14: Eactbourine Grand Prot.
Sept 15: Bournamouth Grand Prot.
Inland circuit world Formula One
May 10: Bio de Jamero.

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Jan 13: Victor Chandler Chase, Ascol. The Ladbroke, Leopardstown Jan 21: A/G Insh Champion Hurdle.

Loopardstown
Feb 4: Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup.

June 28: Newcastle "Brown Ale" Northumbertand Predia.
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Jan 16: Wates v Italy Cardiff, Water Students v Italy Students.
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Apr 28: Sandown Mile, Sandown Park.
Apr 29: Whitbread Gold Cup, Sandown Park.
May 3. Jockey Club Stakes, Newmarket.
May 4: Madagans 2,000 Guineas, Newmarket, Kentucky Derby, Churchal Downs
May 5: Madegans 1,000 Guineas, Newmarket
May 7: Chester Vase, Chester
May 15: Homeowners Darlie Stakes, York,
May 18: Jurdimonte Lockinge Stakes, Newbury
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ALTHOUGH ten matches in the

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miership is more encouraging. Last night it was hoped that all eight matches would be played, in con-

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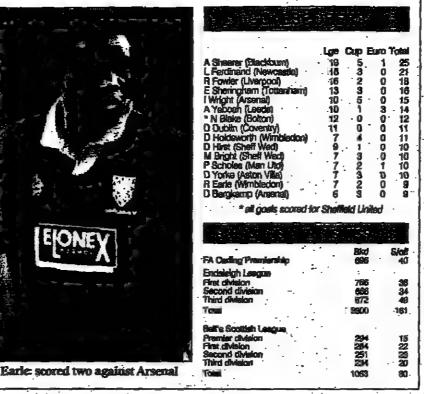
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Terry Kirby, centre, of the Miami Dolphins, pulls away as Ken Irvin, of Buffalo, is floored during the Dolphins' 37-22 defeat in the NFL play-offs. Report, page 20





Saturday, which leaves them eight points clear at the top of the Portuguese first division. Porto, coached by the former England manager, Bobby Robson, found little resistance from a weak Amadora defence. Peter Lipcsel, the Hungary midfield player, scored

A power failure allowed Sporting Lisbon the chance to close the gap i

they can score once more against Desportivo Chaves. The match was locked at I-I with two minutes remaining when the lights failed -which forced the referee to suspend he game. The two clubs are expected to complete the match by Wednesday.

Benfica found little difficulty in dispatching Leiria 4-0 late on Priday night. This follows the recent appointment by the Lisbon club of Paul Authors to couch them for the 1995-97 season. Yet Benfica's old failings were still much in evidence — a lack of ream co-ordination papered over by coached Botatogo to the Brazilian clash championship last week, will

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WESTINGHOUSE Electric Corporation, fresh from the takeover of CBS, the American television network, has put in place a "poison pill" to dis-courage hostile takeover bids. The Westinghouse board adopted the plan that would allow existing shareholders to acquire preferred voting shares if any potential acquiring party obtains 15 per cent of the company's shares or bids

for 30 per cent or more. The move, already adopted by several other US companies, adds significantly to the cost of a hostile takeover bid. "The board of directors believes that the shareholder rights plan represents a sound and reasonable means of safeguarding the interests of shareholders," said Michael Jordan, chairman of



Jordan: new safeguard

Shakeout in store for life sector

BY MARIANNE CURPHEY

THE UK's life assurance industry has been slow to respond to the demands of regulators because its culture and cost structure is based on old selling techniques, claims

a new survey.
The report, which examines the future for life companies in the aftermath of the pensions mis-selling scandal, predicts a "shakeout" in the market. It says when all customers have been compensated there will be few companies left which rely entirely on life assurance

activity. The pensions scandal is aiready proving costly to comwhich are having to track down consumers who have a legitimate grievance, it says. This leaves many com-panies vulnerable.

The compensation bill is yet to come, to be shouldered by shareholders and policyholders' reserves. Estimates of the bill to be footed range close to £3 billion, but have been quoted as high as £4 billion with an extra cost in administration to find the victims of some £400 million to be added to the damage." according to the report published this week

The report also highlights the effect of the Financial Services Act, which regulates

the way life companies con-

duct their business. The FSA and the regulators had a "hidden agenda" to change the industry from one which sold products by "hard sell" to one which responded to genuine demand from customers, it claims. However, this would involve keen price competition and a dismantling of the old structures".

According to Mintel, life companies believe the regulatory structure has not worked and are "to say the least unsure about how to fulfil the expectations of the current operating system". But it says there is room for optimism: "Life assurance provides a vital service which consumers need; if basic life cover can be provided at low enough cost it can be profitable."

Social and demographic

change will increase the need for pensions and care for the old, and the industry will be needed to serve these de-mands, it concludes: "If companies match up to the best international standards of operations and management, the expertise they have will ensure their survival and place in a global market where there are large areas of underdevelopment and thus explosive growth potential."



Duncan Lewis, leading British contender for C&W chief

C&W decision due

DUNCAN LEWIS, the former chief executive of Mercury Communications, will learn this month whether he has a good chance of becoming the next chief executive of Cable and Wireless (Eric Reguly writes).

The board of C&W will draw up a shortlist of candidates for the position by the middle of the month. Mr Lewis, who quit Mercury. which is 80 per cent owned by C&W. in September. is considered the top British contender. Russell Reynolds, the headhunting firm, is also looking for candidates in America.

Mr Lewis would not comment. It is known that C&W's interest puts him in a difficult situation. He has received a job offer from a company in another industry and must decide whether to take it or gamble on the C&W job. The winner is unlikely to be chosen before the spring.

Mr Lewis has broad backing from institutions. They supported his effort to reshape Mercury into a smaller company that focused on business

The chief executive's position has been vacant since November 21, when James Ross was ousted along with Lord Young, the executive

Canberra cooler on foreign investors

IN SYDNEY

OVERSEAS companies are heing warned not to make any large-scale moves into Australia for the next few months because they run the risk of becoming caught up in a growing pre-election row over loreign ownership.

The warning from corporate advisers follows the Australian Government's decision to impose conditions on RTZ's merger with CRA, its Australian arm, which has been seen as an attempt to win over voters worried by the rising tide of foreign control of Australian assets.

An industry consultant, who advises British and American companies, says that any company trying to buy into Australia could end up in a political battle that could in revocably damage its prospects there. He said: "Both political

parties are playing the xeno-phobia card more and more. The CRA move reflects an increased defensiveness which has not surfaced so strongly for the past three or four years. Foreign companies must come into Australia with their eyes

While the final conditions set for the RTZ-CRA merger are not particularly onerous -RTZ must reduce its stake in CRA from 49 per cent to 39 per cent over the next ten years the Government's intervention has raised fears that it signals a toughening of foreign ownership rules. Last month, the Govern-

ment intervened in the proposed purchase by an overseas investor of a theme park in Queensland, ordering that an Australian investor be given eight days to come up with an alternative offer.

Economists, meanwhile have given warning that, with a current account deficit running at about A\$20 billion (£9.6 billion) for 1995-96, Australia cannot afford to be too choosy about what it lets foreign investors buy.

Room at the top for hatchet man

PETER ROBINSON, new

chief executive of the Woolwith, needs no introduction to the third-largest building society when he today succeeds Donald Kirkham, who was appointed CBE in the New Year Honours. Robinson has, after all, worked there for more than 30 years. Yet his first task will be to consider how best to live up to his "hatchet-man" reputation and ruthlessly dismantle the mutual structure on which the Woolwich was built nearly 150 years ago. If he succeeds, up to four million savers and borrowers will be hundreds of pounds richer when the Woolwich joins the stock market in the next two years.

Light relief

THE long impasse over the US budget has changed life for all sorts of people. Art Oakes, a South Dakota rancher, is paying part of the electricity bill to keep the lights on at Mount Rushmore, the mighty monument featuring the heads of four past US presidents carved in the rock. Art says: "Mount Rushmore is next to the flag as being a national symbol." He is encouraging others to join his efforts to keep the monument lit. "I am not a rich man." he says, "{ can't afford much more of this."

Quote collector

BARRY PHELPS, with three serious works to his credit, has taken up pen yet again. Phelps, who has been a soldier, a stockbroker, a

THE TIMES



banker, a magazine editor, and a PR executive, is cur rently a councillor of the Royal Borough of Kensing-ton and Chelsea. If that's not a sufficiently wide parish in which to have heard it all, I don't know what is, Pheips has now penned You Don't Say (Macmillan, £5.99), a dictionary of misquotations of real quotes and nonquotes from the living and the dead, the rich and the poor, from home and abroad. It's a good read and you may quote me.

Vodka verse

FURTHER to the Pennington comment on the scrap over the right to use the Smirnoff name for vodka, Joan Woolard, of Fleet Hargate, Lincolnshire,

> The Czarist spirit, known to be haughty. Claims GrandMet to have been a bit naughty: The brand Smirnoff Could be a turn-off. And White Russian not GrandMet's forte.

COLIN CAMPBELL

TIPS FOR 1996

The Sunday Times: BSG International, TransTec, Ladbroke. Biota, Trocadero, Burton, Caradon, Chamberlain Phipps. Independent on Sunday: Great Universal Stores, Trafalgar House. Stagecoach Holdings, Pet City, Groupe Chez Gerard, Self Sealing Systems, Cantab Pharmaceuticals, Hanson, British Gas, Storehouse, Capital Radio, Amec. Allied Leisure. Saltire. The Sunday Telegraph: Tomkins, EFT Group, Waverley Mining Finance, TT Group, James Finlay, Rexam. Electrophoretics Int. US Smaller Companies IT. Aliders. The Observer. The Rank Organisation, Glaxo Wellcome, Charter Consolidated, Rentokil, Hays, BET, Burton, Great Universal Stores, Berkeley Homes, Redrow, Greenalls.

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PROSPECTS remain bright for the Alternative Investment Market, the new market for smaller and growing companies, which has proved a big success in its first six months of trading.

After another solid week, the number of companies traded on AIM remained at 121, compared with ten when the new market started life on June 19. Capitalisation has increased steadily and now tops £2 billion, while money

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One trader at Winterflood Securities, a market-maker in all the stocks listed on AIM, said that trading last week was fairly busy, a surprise at this time of the year.

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Prospects for AIM remain bright and should be boosted the introduction of a new FT-AIM index this month, which will enable the institutions to measure the market's performance.

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Medeva, the pharmaceuticals group. His SkyePharma vehicle, which effectively reversed into Black & Edgington, the business support services group, is due to start trading on January 9. Dealers report significant demand in advance of the issue, suggesting a healthy premium over an initial placing and open offer price of 4p. There is talk by some traders of a premium of up to 4p, effectively providing

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craving for strange foods. Traditionally the condition of gravid females, but classically the condition of the adolescent schoolboy ("Dad, don't be square; cold mashed potato and tomato ketchup sandwich is delicious"), and the gastronomic parvenu "I've found this wonderful little Tuscan bistro where they do a special hamster and guinea pig pasta with lashings of garlic and ses-

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(a) Pig's trotters, hence the name of a piglet in Beatrix Potter. Johnson asserted that Shakespeare used it as a

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(b) To trick out, decorate, ornament or dress up with more ostentation than refined taste. When Lady Marshmallow makes her ceremonial entry at the office party, looking like a Christmas Tree that has run to seed, you can whisper to your companion: "I am told that she goes to a procontemptuous term for feet, fessional bedizener."

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Equity strategists play it safe as election casts a shadow over City

for UK equities in 1995. City wizards and gurus have heen peering into their crystal balls to see what 1996 holds for the UK stock market in the run-up to the next general election.

The past 12 months have seen shares make up for a dismal 1994, which saw the FT-SE 100 index of leading shares lose 10.3 per cent. In 1995, the FT-SE 100 advanced by 623.8 points to end the year at 3.689.3. an annual rise of 20.3 per cent. Britain's "feel-good" recovery may not have taken place, but shareholders generally saw the value of their capital investments rocket, and 1995 will probably be remembered as a vintage year. Maybe it's a case of "it's better to travel than to arrive". Time

Having had their fingers burnt a year ago, equity strategists are playing it safe this time around. Their predictions a year ago ranged from a bearish 2,800 to a bullish 3,750, but most fell short of the mark. Their FT-SE 100 target forecasts for where the index of leading shares will end this year range from a bearish 3,400 to a bullish 4.250.

lan Harnett, equity strategist at Sociéte Génerale Strauss Turnbull, is pleased with himself, having predicted an end-1995 FTSE range of between 3,500 and 3,750. He remains bullish on prospects for UK equities in 1996 and is looking for a further advance to between 4,000 and 4,250 in the coming year. He said: "The risks are very much geared to stronger outperformance. Merger and acquisition activity is going to dominate."

Dr Harnett lavours sectors such as housebuilders and some of the main consumer retailers and food retailers. though he is wary about the utility sectors, which could see more bid activity but are shrouded by political risk. Dr Harnett said: "This the market's performance in 1995| isn't a hubble: it's based on fundamentals and it can be sustained."

Sterling is also expected to be weak. but this should sour on international stocks. Inflation is seen picking up to about 3.5 per cent on an underlying basis, while GDP growth is forecast at 2.75 per cent for 1996.

Michael Hughes, managing director of economies and strategy at After a year in which many forecasters were well off the mark

Philip Pangalos asks several analysts for their 1996 predictions

Barclays de Zoete Wedd, is relatively cautious on prospects for UK equities in the coming year. BZW has pencilled in an end-1996 FT-SE 100 forecast of 3,750, with a degree of caution built in because 1996 is seen as an election year. Mr Hughes favours sectors with an exposure to economic growth, including building materials, diversified industrials, selected spirits and general retailers, all of which are expected to benefit from a pick-up in consumer spending. For gilts, Mr Hughes expects the

ten-year yield of about 7.5 per cent to rise to about 8.25 per cent, which "would be a shot across the bows". reflecting electoral uncertainty. "Any run-up to the election is theoretically more volatile," he said. "It's a pretty even race between the two main

At UBS, Tim Brown, UK equity strategist, and Bill Martin, chief UK economist, are looking for a FT-SE 100 target of 3,800, GDP growth of 25 per cent and inflation rising to about 3.4 per cent by the fourth quarter. Mr Brown expects the UK equity market to be strong in the first half, reflecting an anticipated fall in interest rates and cash in the systems. He added that prospects for UK equities are "nothing to get really excited about, but the trend is upwards. Mark Tinker, UK strategist at

James Capel, has pencilled in a bullish 1996 FT-SE 100 target of 4,000, though he admits there is considerable political uncertainty before the general election.

Mr Tinker said: "Growth will remain solid. You've got the stimulus coming from lower interest rates and continued profit growth. However, politics is the enemy out there waiting to ambush equities." He added that the political concerns are more dangerous for equities than for bonds, with the distinct possibility that a Labour government could raise corporation tax, extend ACT or impose a windfall tax on the likes of privatised utilities.

James Capel is looking for earnings growth to climb from about 13.3 per cent in 1995 to 15.6 per cent in 1996, though dividend growth is expected to slow from 11.8 per cent in 1995 to 8.75 per cent in 1996. This puts the market on a price earnings ratio of 13.3 times in 1996, compared with 15.4 times in 1995, with the gross dividend yield seen rising from 4.2 per cent in 1995 to 4.57 per cent in 1996.

Mr Tinker said: "The first half of 1996 is going to be nervous for the equity market. There will be a tendency for investors to go big and horing, though there is good value out there in the cyclicals."



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Merger and acquisition activity is also expected to continue, with a strong economic case for consolidation because a "cash-rich but ner-

vous" corporate sector is likely to

— Ian Harnett

result in more acquisitions, special dividends and share buy-backs. Nick Knight, head of strategy at Nomura, the Japanese securities house, remains bearish on prospects for UK equities. A year ago, he was looking for the FT-SE 100 to end 1995 at 3,200; now he has pencilled in a FT-SE 100 target of 3,600.

Mr Knight said 1995's bid activity was relatively sectorally concentrat-ed. Future bids are expected to attract more hurdles from the regulators. with more referrals anticipated because of the adverse political

implications on job losses. Philip Isherwood, UK strategist at Kleinwort Benson, the merchant bank, is looking for a FT-SE 100 target of 3.850. Mr Isherwood expects a spillover in the first four months. driven on the upside by lower interest rates and M&A activity, but offset by a hell of a lot of downgrades".

Kleinwort has a GDP forecast of 2.3 per cent for the year, with 2.8 per cent anticipated in Q4, which in turn expected to see bond weakness. Kleinwort is looking for inflation to see RPIX at about 2.7 per cent by the end of the year, with sterling expected to be stable to easier. The Dow Jones. which advanced 32.3 per cent in 1995, is also forecast to continue rising to about 5,600 by the end of the year, though the advance is expected to be first-half loaded. Kleinwort anticipates an autumn 1996 general election, which it expects

Labour to win. The short-term result of this is seen as delayed investment. but increased M&A activity ahead of anticipated regulatory uncertainty. Kleinwort forecasts 7.5 per cent dividend growth in 1996, with an anticipated "clean" dividend yield of 4.55 per cent predicted for December 1996, compared with 4.2 per cent for December 1995. Electoral and economic risk is expected to see the market trade on a price earnings multiple of 13.5 times next year, compared with 10.5 times in 1995.

Bob Semple. UK strategist at NatWest Securities, is going for a cautious FT-SE 100 target of 3,700 in what he expects be be "a year of two halves. Mr Semple said: "The first quarter and second quarter will be the best period for the market. More bids and more interest rate cuts could drive the market to 3.900 or 4,000 if the bond market remains supportive." However, he fears that political concerns and a soft landing could see

the bond market lose some of its shine, while recovery for some sectors is still some way away and uncertainty about domestic and overseas economies remains. "A probable Labour general election victory leads us to conclude that investors should be looking to take advantage of any market run in the first half to lock in

profits," he added. Philip Wolstencroft at Merrill Lynch, the Wall Street stockbroker that took over Smith New Court, has a FT-SE 100 target of 3,850 in a year expected to see further industry consolidation and continued M&A activity. Bond yields are expected to slip from 7.5 per cent in 1995 to 7 per cent in 1996, while interest rates are forecast to end 1996 at 5.75 per cent.

Merrill Lynch expects earnings growth to slow but is keen on financials, such as banks and insurance stocks, while consumer cyclicals, such as leisure, housebuilders and car retailers, should benefit from a pick-up in

George Hodgson at SBC Warburg has a FT-SE 100 target of 3,750, which implies limited progress. Warburg remains keen on broadly defensive stocks, as well as the consumer goods and financials sectors, but is cautious on industrial areas which may not be out of the woods yet.

Panmure Gordon, which was last year's bear with an end-1995 FT-SE 100 target of 2,800, has decided not to publicise its forecast for 1996.

Paul Walton, equity strategist at Goldman Sachs, the American securities house, has pencilled in a FT-SE 100 target of 3,400. Mr Walton, who has been bullish in the past, has turned bearish and expects equities to be depressed by a slowing economy and profit downgrades, with political risk predicted to further undermine sentiment. Mr Walton is looking for only 1.75 per cent GDP growth and 5 per cent earnings growth, against a consensus of about 12 per cent. Gilts are expected to benefit.

Strategists seem to have most angles covered, but if investors want to be safe, they should look at companies with intrinsic earnings growth, healthy exports, strong balance sheets and high-quality management - if that's not asking too

The road to the gallows

I shudder to think how much research, microphone time and editing went into Martin Jenkins's and John Theocharis's dramatised documentary. The result triumphantly justifies the effort. This is an all-embracing reconstruction of the 315 days in 1945-46 when 22 top Nazis filled the dock, charged with war crimes. The structure is both highly complex and classically simple. Accusers and accused, defence and defended, and the tribunal judge, are all played by actors, delivering lines that Peter Goodchild plucked from the transcripts of the trial. Every stage of the tribunal is summarised by expert legal witnesses. We are spared neither the horrors of the Nazi atrocities nor their grisly denouement on the gallows.

Ken Russell's Movie Classics. Classic FM, 7.00pm.

I was expecting the wayward film director to present dialogue scenes from films. How wrong can you be. In his 13-part series, Russell introduces excerpts only from film scores. He does it with authority, as befits a film-maker who has relied heavily on musicians and their talent. Only Russell, I felt, would have been sufficiently knowledgeable to declare that Walton's fugue written for The First of the Few was bloodbrother to the same composer's fugue in his Symphony No I, and that Korngold's waltz theme from The Adventures of Robin Hood evoked Vienna Woods more than Sherwood Forest.

Peter Davalle

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Christine Buckley foresees a multi-utility future

New year 'baby' heralds trend towards linked public services

"Inday's new year babies include United Utilities. Born officially on January I from the union of North West Water and Norweh, the regional electricity company, it is Britain's first provide two essential services to 7 million customers from one corporate base.

The merger of the two companies.

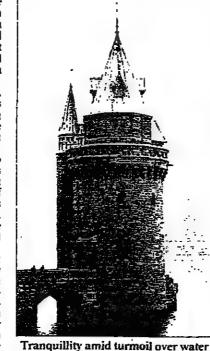
which triggered a wave of consumer lears of the implications of one group handling the provision of two utilities, creates one of the country's 50 largest businesses that will achieve annual sales of £2.5 billion. Several hundred jobs are expected to he lost as the integration of the businesses that form United is completed, with cost savings reaching many millions of pounds as duplicated services such as billing and metering are combined. Additionally there are large savings to be made on combining headquarters and personnel resources.

United is the first multi-utility but it will certainly not be the last. Andrew Stone, utilities analyst at Daiwa, says: There are likely to be other such linkups. Companies will look at the savings being made and the pressure will be on them to take similar action. The merger of North West and Norweb created an important precedent and opened the gate to other takeovers and multi-utilities.

The Office of Fair Trading is currently scrutinising proposals for the takeover of South Wales Electricity by Welsh Water. Last week, the Director-General of Fair Trading extended his review of the agreed hid before deciding whether to refer it to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. The chances are, however. that he will not refer the bid but insist instead on further ringfencing points to keep the electricity and water businesses

operating separately.

London Electricity and Thames Water are in the midst of a strategic review of their businesses, aiming to join forces on operations they have in common. With such a close-fitting customer base they



Tranquillity amid turmoil over water

have working parties looking at merging billing and metering. along with combining databases. A spokeswoman said: "We share so many customers that it makes good sense to see what facilities and operations we can share."

So far. London and Thames have dismissed talks of a full merger but the tie-ups they are investigating promise to be wide-ranging. Both companies have recently spent considerably on establishing new customer service hases outside the capital with London shifting its operations to Sunderland, Tyne & Wear, and Thames to Swindon. It is possible that when the working parties report this vear, this strategy may have to be

important implications for a takeover. If a predator moved on London, for example, there would be strong pressure to take both companies if their shared operations were substantial.

Before the current wave of mergers across utilities, the names on everyone's lips were Yorkshire Water and Yorkshire Electricity. The electricity company has signalled strongly that it wishes to remain independent from takeover so a link with its water neighbour would make defensive and cost-saving strength. Like London and Thames the two are also working on areas of co-operation.

rounding Yorkshire Water's drought Miller, Manna Warner, Steve Jones and Times columnist Lord Rees-Mogg 10.00-10.30 News; With Great Pleasure (FM only) Jerny Eclair selects her lavourite Rerature (2/6) 10.00 Daily Service (LW only) Irom St Ann's Church, Manchester 10.15 Children's BBC Radio 8: Thorts tim Name of the Game (LW only) 10.30 Woman's Hour, Jenn: Murray stroduces a programme from measures and water supply, the electricity company is likely to be very cautious about a full-blown merger.

When Welsh Water announced that Swalec had finally succumbed to the somewhat acrimonious courtship it mounted on the electricity provider, the company said that its way forward was to be a full provider of infrastructure services. It was interested in offering a range of public service activities, includstrengthening its road-huilding operations.

In this strategy Welsh showed that it wants to emulate multi-utilities across the channel, such as Generale des Eaux and Lyonnaise des Eaux, which operate an array of services from water supply to parking wardens.

Multi-utilities will also figure in ever larger numbers as Britain gears up to full competition in the energy market in 1998. With the regional electricity companies increasingly stepping up their activities in gas output, the provision of several public service needs by one company makes competitive logic. The emphasis on fuel price reduction for customers means the companies will have to be ever more inventive to cut costs.

Strategic links and mergers are a

RADIO 4 5.55am Shipping (LW orly) 6.00 News 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Over the Counter Oliver 2.00 News; The Death of Ivan Ilyich Anton Lesser stars as Toistoy's middle-class man who is forced to re-eva his life Drametised by Nicholas Mcherny (r) Waiston meets baker Andrew Whitley 6.55 Weather 7.00 Writley 6.55 Weather 7.00 Today, incl 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.45 Thought for the Day 7.55 Weather 8.40 Harvest of the Cold Moraths, by Elizabeth David (1/5)

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11.00 The Unheard Prophet.
Profile of the ecologist Sir George Staptedon (r)
11.30 The Wester Gypsies, by
A.P. Herbert, dramatised I
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Catherine fixed it only too well for Hardy

Thomas Hardy's Return of the Native (BBC2) was that it brought to mind an excellent cartoon I once saw. Entitled "The Infinite Variety of Cat Expresthis cartoon depicted around 20 cat-faces, with descriptions such as "About to pounce". "Eating", "Tired", "Angry", "Happy". The joke was that the faces were identical - save for "Asleep", of course, in which the

eyes were lightly closed. What can this have to do with a classy Screen Two presentation of a great English classic on New Year's Eve? Well, anyone who watched the lovely Catherine Zeta Jones last night in the unlikely role of Eustacia Vye will charitably agree that facial consistency was by far her strongest suit. Angry. happy, fired, or about to pounce, Eustacia sustained that fixed china face quite brilliantly. Even when

questionable benefit of last night's screen version of stream, Miss Jones tilted that head and those lips to the same lovely angle, yet there was something subtly different. Oh yes! Just like the cat aforementioned, she cleverty closed her eyes.

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It was a strange creature, this Return of the Native, It was directed by Jack Gold, and produced (I believe) by Halimark Cards, who once gave us the Emmy-winning western Lonesome Dove. But the casting was perverse, the landscape too grand, the adaptation banal, the indoor lighting too bright, the social status and snow-white neck-cloths of the principals more than a bit of a surprise. The biggest mistake was to tell it as Eustacia's story with everyone else incidental, when the key to Hardy is that each character selfishly pursues its own destiny -despite impinging tragically on

Someone else's. In short, most things contrived Thus, Mrs Yeobright's exhausting. fatal trek across Egdon Heath was more a short stroll that went wrong; the multiple plunge in the last five minutes was pure cornedy: and the most famous scene in the book - Diggory Venn and Damon Wildeve dicing on the heath at midnight by the light of glowworms - was excised altogether. In his biography of Hardy, Martin Seymour-Smith calls this "one of the most stupendous, and best loved, scenes in English fiction." Less Eustacia and more glowworms next time, please,

n the plus side of The Return of the Native, it was pretty easy to follow, which is more than may be said for some other literary star offerings this weekend. The Robert Graves Bookmark on Saturday night (BBC2) was a curiously disjointed story, in which the viewer was left REVIEW



to guess half the time what the hell was going on. "What the hell is going on?" I sometimes asked the cats, but alas, they were practising "Inscrutable" at the time. (Or was it "Hiding from Wolves"? Gosh, it's so hard to tell.)

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Anyway, from the title onwards - I, Graves - the programme somehow expected us to know the main thrust already. For example, the section on Graves's "Muses"

for) started with an American woman talking about the honour of being "selected", but for what? This was a documentary which required an occasional narrator to clarify the order of things. Graves was seen to leave Majorca in 1936, but not to return. His famous consort Laura Riding was described by her biographer as a sexually frank person who suggested "Let's get this all out on the table". Out on the table would have been a good place to start with this story, too.

Meanwhile, the new children's classic drama Black Hearts in Battersea (BBCI) really needed a double-episode to get started. The viewer ought to be made aware. for example, that this is hypothetical history, not real history otherwise the references to Jacobites alongside mid-19th-century dress are a bit confusing. To the cause!" people keep saying, and you don't know what they mean.

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freal-life women to write poems. But the atmosphere is well done, and the urchin boy Simon (William Mannering) has all the girly good looks of an Oliver Twist.

> complained before Christmas about the scheduling of the left-over Christmas specials. but it was a stroke of genius to leave the spool Alan Partridge's Knowing Me. Knowing Yule (BBC2) to Friday December 29, because this is precisely where such a terrible, terrible show would realistically end up. Set in a replica of Partridge's ranch-style Norwich home (don't come round and burgle the real one, ho, ho), Knowing Me, Knowing Yule was a disastrous house party for a few close friends: bell-ringers and choirboys, a BBC executive, a lewd transvestite chef, a giant cracker containing a dialysis machine, and busty women in Santa mini-skirts. Only Patrick Moore playing the xylophone was missing.

As usual with the off-colour Partridge (Steve Coogan), the show's real interest was the rapid. gleeful and terrible humiliation of the jumped-up host (to the point of breakdown, if possible). Please tell me I've got a second series, boss!" Partridge joshed with the BBC exec, unforgiveably. A Christian bell-ringer objected to pornography on television. "What's wrong with masturbation?" asked Partridge. "I don't like it." she said. "Well, don't do it," he snapped back. Meanwhile Partridge used every opportunity to plug Rover cars and Boaster biscuits, and the viewers held their breath.

What would be the final bombshell here? A fire in the studio? An aborted big number? Well, yes, of course, but that wasn't all. No. Partridge hitting his boss twice in the face with his fist encased in uncooked poultry - few among us. I believe, will have seen that one coming, Happy New Year,

BBC1

7.00am Classical Music Animations. Tcheikovsky's music accompanies The Siesping Baauty (3809352) 7.25 Fevouritie Songs with the voice of Roger Daitrey (3895159) 7.50 Joshus Jones (1808604)

8.00 Playdays (6551739) 8.20 Joe 90 (8537159) 8.45 Peter Pan and the Pirates (9186285) 9.10 Teenage Mutant Hero Turties (6768623) 9.30 Stone Protectors (5426888) 9.55 Blue Peter (r)

10.25 FILM: The Princess and the Goblin (1991).

Animation (s) (6273468) 11.45 FILM: Bugsy Matone (1976) starring Scott Baio and Jodie Foster. Musical spool of old gangster movies in which a cast made up entirely of children sings and dences its way around Prohibition-era sets, firing whipped cream from toy guns. Directed by Alen Parker. (632517)

1.15 News and weather (73742710) 1.25 Neighbours (57615943) 1.45 EastEnders (r). (Cestax) (4950130)

2.40 FILM: Suburben Commendo (1991). Comedy starring Hulk Hogan, directed by Burt Kennedy



4.05 Roeld Dahl's Little Red Riding Hood. (Ceefax) (s) (8994420) 4.50 Firmi Scorn (9452542)

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the time-travel sit-com sterring Nicholes Lyndhurst, Dervis Kirwan and Michelle Holmes. (Ceclax) (s) (9246)

9.00 The Percock Spring (Ceefast) (s) (6757739)

10.25 News, regional news and weather (357913) 10.48 Match of the Day, Tony Gubbs, Travor Brooking and Gary Lineker introduce highlights of today's top Premiership games, including Liverpool v Nottingham Forest; Totsenham Hotspur v Manchester United; and Middleebrough's home clash with Aston Villa (828275)

11.35 The Rolling Stones: Voodoo Lounge Live. The Stones, recorded in Mismi during their 1995 world

1.10am FiLM: Carry On Doctor (1968). Part of the Carry On Christmas season, starring Frankle Howard, Kenneth Williams, Jim Dale, Barbara Windson, innuendo-laden adventure, this time with a medical snooty surgeon Williams and the staff. Directed by Gerald Thomas (4043918)

7.15 FB.M: The Square Pag (1958, b/w) starring Norman Wisdom, Honor Blackman, Hattle Jacques, Brian Worth and Terence Alexander. A man drafted Into the Army finds himself accidentally behind enemy lines. Directed by John Paddy Carstairs 8.45 FILM: A Day at the Reces (1937, b/w). Classic cornedy with the Marx Brothers, directed by Sam Wood (30853197)

BBC 2

10.30am The Voyage of Charles Darwin. The last episode (76710) 12.30pm Softi Conducte: The World Orchestre For Peace Part of the celebrations for the fiftieth

anniversary of the United Nations (5648710) 1.50 1996 World Professional Darts Champ First-round action from the Lakeside Country Club et Frimley Green, Surrey (61766517) 4.15 Ski Sunday Special. (7555998)

4.50 Constrainments. A tour of the biggest, lastest and highest rollercoasters in the world (2104739) 5.40 Pavarotti and Domingo at the Met Luciano Pavarotti and Placido Domingo, under the baton of James Levine in a double-bill from New York's

8.00 Burt Bachtrach ... This is Now, Dusty Springfield narrates a documentary profile (727994)

Metropolitan Opera (21453265)



Arens: The Burger and the King. (Cee(ax) (1826)

Elvis Presiev dines on lunk food (9.00pm)

10.00 FILM: Grand Carryon (1991) sterring Derny Glover, Kevin Kline and Sleve Martin. A drama Angeles men, it develops after the poor one (Glover) black gang; the rich one returns the favour by finding the poor one a girlfriend. The relationship illustrates the accel divisions in urban life. Martin's character is said to be a satirical portrait of a well known producer of violent action films and a wouldbe philosopher. Directed by Lawrence Kasden

12.10am 1996 World Professional Darts Champ-ionship, Highlights from tonight's live-set firstround matches, introduced by Dougle Donnelly

1,80 FILM: The Days. Competing portrait of the relationship between two artists in modern Chine. Both Dong and Chun teach at the Beijing Art School, Starring Yu Hong, Liu Xiacdong, Lou Ye, Wang Xiaoshuai (9719260)

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The Peacock Spring

BBC1, 9.00pm Rumer Godden's novel about rites of passage in 1950s sensibly transmitted on successive nights. As she demonstrated in Block Narcissus. Godden's forte is orising out the emotions that lie beneath an apparently placid surface. All seems well as the two young daughters of diplomat Sir Edward (Peter Egan) arrive to join him in New Delhi. But the leisurely narrative soon reveals frictions, as the girls collide with their governess (Jennifer Hall) and, although they are only 12 and 15, develop crushes on handsome Indians. This is a confident, attractively-photographed production from the experienced team of writer Ken Taylor and director Christopher Morahan.

Areas: The Burger and the King BBC2, 9.00pm

Taking its one from Elvis Presley's legendary fondness for eating, Arena has had the bright idea of retelling his life story in terms of his meals. As the child of poor parents during the Depression he had to make do with fried squirrel and pig's feet. In the Army he dined off creamed beef, though the dish has a ruder name. Even when he became rich his diet rarely touched the exotic Cheeseburgers were one favourite and another was ried peanut butter and banana sandwiches. The film heipfully supplies the recipes, while offering an awful warning about the dangers of junk food. Presley's enormous appente clearly hastened his early death. His former cook says he weighed 350 lbs and, when he died, it took three men to lift his body.

Reald Dahl's Little Red Riding Hood

BBC1, 4.05pm Anybody who switches on expecting to see the Red Riding Hood story delivered in its traditional form is hereby warned. It is a macabre enough tale already hut trust Roald Dahl to find even darker twists. To reveal them would be tantamount to giving away the plot. Suffice to say that Julie Walters appears both as Red Riding Hood and Grandma and that neither conforms to the conventional image. Danny DeVito from Hollywood is the voice of the Wolf and ian Holm narrates. Dahl's version originated in his collections of verse and, set to music that over not a little to Beethoven, it was successfully staged in 1992. Television brings flexibility, as well as impressive

The Ruth Rendell Mystery Movie: Heartstones

Rendell fans will be pleased to know that she will be figuring strongly in the 1996 schedules, both with a new inspector Wexford and her more absorbing. though blacker, psychological thrillers. Heartstones is one of the latter, the study of a clergyman and academic (Amhony Andrews) suspected of the mercy killing of his wife. The suspicions are harboured by his daughter (Emily Mortimer), when she finds prescriptions for drugs in her mother's bedside table. But her closeness to her father, made even stronger through bedsien after him after her workness death. through looking after him after her mother's death causes her to keep her feelings to herself. Her father's



12.40 Make 'em Laugh A compilation of clips from classic classroom pomedies (6001246) 1.10 FILM: The Stalking Moon (1968) starring Gregory Peck. An Indian scout delays his plans of retirement to help a woman held captive by the Apaches for ten years. Directed by Robert Mutiligan (29292178) 3.00 FILM: On Her Majesty's Secret Service (1969) starring George Lazenby, as James Bond, With Diana Rigg, Telly Savalas Directed by Peter Hunt (64503604)

12.30om (TN News (Teletext) (21927468)

10.20 Warner Brothers Cartoon (7830710)

5.25 TTN News (Teletext) and weather (4876130) 5.40 FILM: Curty Sue (1991) slarring James Belushi, Kelly Lynch and Alison Porter Comic capers in Detroit when two streetwise tricksters are adopted by one of their targets. Directed by John Hughes

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9.25 Win, Lose or Draw, hosted by Bob Mills (4779130) 9.55 Bugs Bunny's Overtures to Disaster (1241333)

10.35 FILM: Hiti's Angels With Edward Hermann An

idealistic young priest runs into trouble when he allows the local women to take over the running of

7.30 Coronation Street, Curly and Raquel are in good spirits but the air is a bit frosty round the Malletts' place. Meanwhile, Denise lends an ear to sister Aison With Kevin Kennedy, Serah Lancashire, lan Mercer, Gaynor Fave (81)

8.00 Bruce's Price is Right (5807)



Emily Mortimer and Anthony Andrews (8.30pm)

The Ruth Rendell Mystery Mk Heartstones. (Ceelax) (s) (60410) 10.30 Call Red — Behind the Scenes (775178) 10.40 (TN News (Telelant) and weather (991008) 10.50 FILM: Adrift (1993) starring Kale Jackson, Kenneth Walsh, Bruce Greenwood and Kelly Rowan, A couple set sail on a dream cruise in an attempt to

save their failing marnage and find love again, but rescue a couple of strangers in distress.(74484333) 12.40am FiLM: Absence of Malice (1981) stemng Paul Newman, Sally Field and Bob Balaban. A reporter is tricked by a government agent into writing a story which causes problems for an innocent men.

2.50 FiLM: The Intruder (1953, bw) starring Jack Hawkins, Hugh Williams, Michael Medwin, Dennis Prios, and Dora Bryan. An army veteran digs deep huddies has turned to crime. Directed by Guy

4.15 Profile, Janet Jackson speaks frankly (17143531) 4.25 Dead Men's Tales A series of drametised disasters (16177395)

4.50 Fil.M: Life in Danger (1959, b/w) starring Derren Nesbitt and Julie Hopkins. A drifter who betrends an adolescent girl is mistaken for a child murderer.

CHANNEL 4

6.35em Think Tank. Ouiz (r) (5) (5306401) 7,00 The Big Breakfast (36062)

9,00 Saved By The Bell: The New Class American college comedy series (4707913)

9.25 Babyton 5. Science-fiction adventure series (r) (Teletext) (s) (6106410)

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(9893517) 11.40 The Morning Line A preview of laday's race meetings (5171401)

12.10pm Sesame Street. The guest is Maya Angelou (5048159)

1.10 Channel 4 Racing From Cheltenham Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the 1.35, 2.10, 2.45 and 3.20 races (84334410) 3.40 Snapshots; Enoch Powell. Enoch Powell returns



Valerie Singleton quizzes contestants (4.00pm)

Beckdate Val Singleton makes he Channel 4 quiz show debut (10) 4.30 Countdown Richard Whiteley and Carol Vorderman begin another series of the letters and numbers game (Teletext) (s) (94)

5.00 Love in the Afternoon. Romanuc magazine series. (Teletext) (s) (6772)

6.00 The Coeby Show (r). (Telelext) (59) 6.30 Hollyoeks. Teen soap. (Teletext) (s). Followed by Channel 4 News summery and weather (249710) 7.05 Secrets of the Rainforest. Australia is one of the few countries that can boast intact rain forests, inhabited by possums, small kangaroos and

they are under threat from tarmers, roads and loggers (s) (767791) 8.00 Stoten, Miss Edith Mork lost a litetime's collection of porcelain two years ago in one of Britain's 120,000 burglaries. She decided to make her own inquiries and, armed with just a flashlight, she enters the

close-knit world of the antiques trade. (r). (Teletext) (s) (3449) 8.30 FILM: Nuns on the Run (1990) Screwball comedy starring Eric Idle and Robble Coltrane as small-time crooks who are forced to hide out in a convent,

disguised as nuns Written and directed by Jonathan Lynn. (Teletext) (15761401) 10.15 Glasshouse. Feared by those who step out of line,

the hershest prison regime in the country. (Teletext) 11.15 Defence of the Realm (1985), political thriller

staming Gabriel Byrne as a reporter whose investigations into the downtail of an Opposition MP has startling consequences, (110913)

1.00em Fil.M: A Fire Has Been Arranged (1935, b/w) Cornedy starring Flanagan and Allen as a pay of by Leslie Hiscott (9433181)

2.15 Calypso Season A month in Traided when 150,000 islanders go wild (r) (683717). Ends at 3.15

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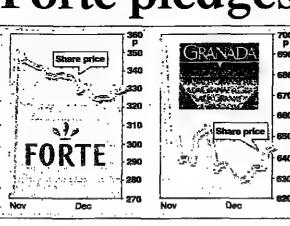
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THE UK LIFE **ASSURANCE MARKET** IS SLOW TO CHANGE

BUSINESS EDITOR LINDSAY COOK

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Forte pledges £500m special payout to ward off Granada



FORTE is to publish a defence document tomorrow that will attempt to win investor loyalty with about £500 million in special payouts, a dividend rise and a promise that the company, shed of its lacklustre restaurants, is

on the verge of strong growth.

The document will mark the last time that Forte, under takeover threat from Granada, can present new information to shareholders. Granada will have until January 9 to revise its hostile bid, whose shares and cash option is now valued at £3.2 billion.

Forte would not say yesterday how it would disperse the £500 million. Options include a share buyback or the payment of a one-off

1995 by several water and electricity companies. Of the two, a buy-back is more likely because it would boost earnings per share by shrinking the equity base. A buy-back also presents fewer tax complexities than the payment of a special dividend.

The buyout would be funded through the sale of assets, notably the proposed sale of its motorway services stations and Happy Eater and Little Chef restaurants to Whitbread for £1.05 billion. Forte recently sold its Travelodge budget hotel chain in the US for £114 million and Griersons, its wine and spirits wholesaler,

Increasing the regular dividend is a virtual certainty. Forte reduced its dividend from 9.91p luxury end of the market.

Now that the hotel sector is turning around, profits are on the rise and Forte management thinks the company is back in position to pay higher dividends. Last week, Forte said it expected profits before tax and exceptional items of £190 million in the year to the end of January, up \$5 million from its previous forecast. In its last financial year, Forte earned £127 million.

The final defence document is expected to read, in effect, as a prospectus for a new hotel company. It will contain a detailed breakdown of operations in the various chains, ranging from the international Meridien hotels to the

to 7.5p in 1993, when the recession made it difficult to fill hotel rooms, especially at the outlook. Forte has said that both room rates and occupancies have climbed substanstially since the beginning of December and are likely to keep climbing. The company will cite recent independent hotel studies to back the claim.

The City expects Granada to raise its bid by about 10 per cent next week, to £3.6 billion or so. The cash and shares alternative is currently valued at 325p, while the all-cash option is

worth 321.7p.
Granada, in a move designed to build confidence with its shareholders, may also announce that it has found buyers for Forte's 68 per cent interest in the Savoy Hotel group, several other "trophy" hotels and its own motorway services sites.

Tadpole chief's **74% rise**

BY OUR CITY STAFF

THE highest paid director of Tadpole Technology, the beleaguered computer maker, received a 74 per cent salary increase in the last financial year.

The company's annual report discloses that the unnamed director, be-lieved to be George Grey, chief executive, was paid £220,592 in the year to September 30, up from £126,885 previously.

The report also reveals that Geoff Burr, who resigned as head of Tadpole's business in the United States, received compensation of £116,000 for loss of

In the same year, the company incurred losses of E9.95 million before tax, far greater than expected, and compared with losses of only £1.3 million in the previous year.

Over the past 12 months. Tadpole shares have collapsed to 77p, from 376p. via an all-time low of 38p.

TIMES

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Union warns of 20,000 bank job losses this year

By PHILIP PANGALOS

THE banking and finance industry faces tens of thou-sands of job losses in the coming year, according to a stark new year warning from the country's main banking and finance union.

in spite of an expectation of multi-billion pound profits for the banking sector this year. the Banking Insurance and Finance Union (Bifu) gives warning that 20,000 more jobs could go in an industry already ravaged by the loss of 120,000 jobs in the past six

The union's latest warning comes in the wake of gloomy comments from a number of leading figures in the banking

ly admit that one in five workers could lose their jobs in the next few years as the industry undergoes a wholesale rationalisation.

Banking may have once been considered a job for life but job insecurity is now a feature of the finance industry, with further threats likely in an increasingly competitive industry, especially as rela-tively old-fashioned retail banking technology is superseded in the UK.

Last spring, Sir Brian Pit-man, chief executive of Lloyds Bank, estimated that a further 75,000 jobs would go, in addition to the 90,000 lost since 1989. At its peak, the banking industry employed 460,000 people, since when 3,000 bank and building society branches have closed.

Along with other industry that there were too many jobs and branches, though he extended his warning to include other areas such as insurance, which is predicted to experience more of the type of costcutting practiced by the banks for years.

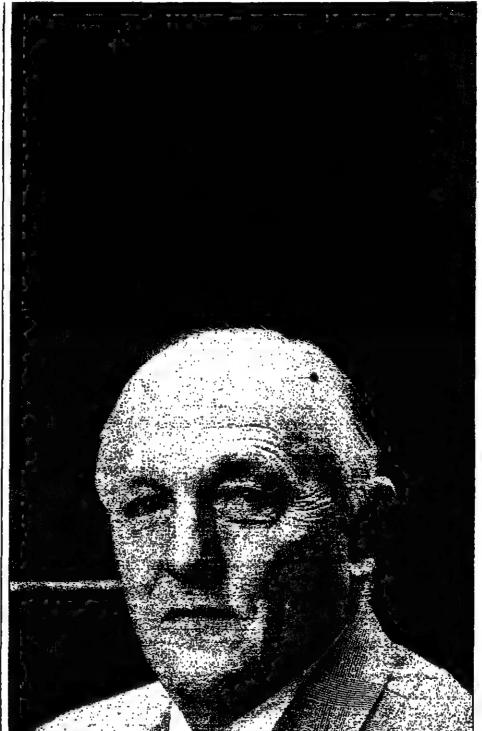
A recent report by Credit Lyonnais Laing, the broker, estimated that 98,000 job losses would occur in the ten largest banks by the year 2000. The broker's estimate reflects an improvement in the efficiency of the leading banks similar in scale to the largescale job losses in the manufacturing industry during the early 1980s. Ed Sweeney, Bifu's new

general secretary, said: "There s still no 'feel-good' factor in finance. In spite of expected profits of more than E7 billion, the major clearers still seem intent on cutting staff and providing the customer with a poorer service. Our clear message to customers is: don't blame the staff for what's going wrong - blame the copie at the top."

Mr Sweeney said that nearly 3,000 high street branches have closed in the last five years, while surveys still show bank customers are extremely critical of the service they are getting and rural communities are losing local branches. Bifu says banks where big

job losses are feared include NatWest, Midland and the union fears large mergerinspired redundancies among banks, such as Lloyds-TSB, and in the building society sector, where the number of societies has halved in the last ten years. With a Private Member's

Bill to merge Lloyds and TSB banks, necessary to transfer customer accounts into the new bank, likely to reach Parliament this year, Mr Sweeney said: "We will be lobbying MPs hard to oppose the Bill if it means more job losses and a worse choice for



Sir Ronald Hampel, chairman of ICI, today issues a confident new year message

Outlook bright, says ICI chief

BY MARTIN BARRON

ICI, the chemicals manufacturer that is regarded as a bellwether of British industry. enters 1996 in its most confident mood since the enset of recession at the turn of this

Sir Ronald Hampel, chairman of ICI, said in his new year message, that although the pace of growth had slowed. a sustained improvement in business performance were in place all around the world, with low inflation and reasonable interest rates as well as

continued growth.
Sir Ronald said: "There are no easy rides in the face of worldwide pressures, but resolute managements, with advanced and effective products and thorough control of quality and cost, have the opportunity to prove their worth and produce good returns for

The UK was a highly competitive place in which to manufacture, perhaps more 50 years, he said. "As a result of actions taken over recent years, I believe that the major British companies, such as ICI, are in good shape to take on the world," he added.

The City appears to share Sir Ronald's optimistic outlook for ICI. Analysis at Merrill Lynch are forecasting a sharp rise in pre-tax profits from £408 million to £970 million for the year just ended, a level not seen since 1990 when profits were £936 million. This year, profits are expected to exceed £1 billion

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Political worries to haunt market

BY OUR CITY STAFF

THE shock defection to the Liberal Democrats of Emma Nicholson, Tory MP for West Devon and Torridge, has further dented the Government's already slim majority. It will also frighten a UK stock market already jittery at the prospect of a general election coming sooner rather than later".

Last year may be remembered as a vintage one for the UK market. After a surprisingly healthy 20.3 per cent jump for the FT-SE 100 index in 1995 — it enjoyed an overall advance of 623.8 points as the index ended the year at 3,689.3

leading equity strategists are cautious about prospects

for 1996. A fading "feel-bad" factor is now offset by heightened political uncertainty. Their forecasts for where the index of leading shares will end 1996 range from a bearish 3,400 to a bullish 4,250.

Market-watchers are concerned that a combination of political uncertainty, slower growth in corporate profits and the possibility of economic instability overseas, particu-larly in the US, could undermine some of the anticipated positive factors such as an expected modest pick-up in consumer spending.

City forecasts, page 34 am not convinced that there

Bookings flat for summer breaks

By Marianne Curphey

HIGH street sales and the weather are being blamed for lacklustre start to post-Christmas bookings for sumimer package holidays, despite discounts of up to 15 per cent.

The disappointing start to the industry's most important trading period comes as tour operators are recovering from one of the toughest summer seasons on record.

Thomas Cook, the UK's third largest travel agent, estimates the industry in general has seen a fall in trade of between 30 and 40 per cent on last year, said Richard Grummitt, a spokesman. "I

will be a shortage of holidays this year. Some in the industry are spreading the message that if they do not book now they will not be able to go abroad on holiday come the summer. I believe that is just hype. You are unlikely to secure a booking for a popular resort if you leave it too late, but there will still be plenty of

holidays left," Russell Amerasekera, a spokesman for Going Places, said: "The last few days have been a mixed bag, some areas in the North of England have sold strongly but in the South it's been patchy. It's still early

Lapse of agreement allows client free-for-all

Saatchi battle set to resume



BY MARTIN BARROW

HOSTILITIES between Cordiant, the former Saatchi & Saatchi advertising agency, and the new agency set up by Maurice and Charles Saatchi are set to intensify this week. A legal agreement preventing M&C Saatchi.

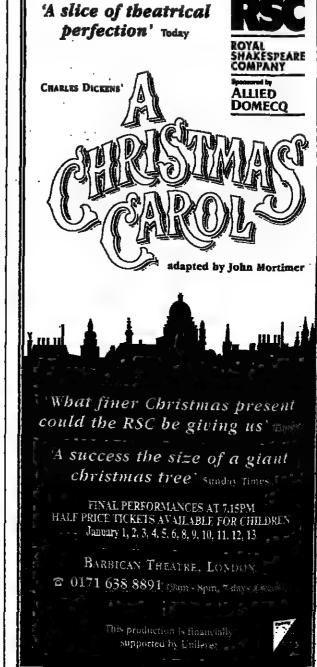
the brothers' new agency, poaching clients and staff from Cordiant, lapsed yesterday. This leaves the way open for Maurice and Charles to pitch head-to-head for their former company's clients and to renew contact with account

executives still working for Cordiant.

M&C Saatchi secured business worth about \$200 million a year since it was established last January, and lured from Cordiant a number of big clients, including Mirror Group, British Airways and Dixons, before poaching was stopped. Most of M&C Saatchi's 180 employees, based mainly in London but with offices in New York and Hong Kong, were recruited from Cordiant before the shutters went up. The end of the agreement will also allow the

brothers to be more open about their relationship with the Conservative Party. Officially, the Tories are still represented by Cordiant, to whom they remain financially indebted since the last general election. But Maurice and Charles have been advising the Tories on a personal and informal basis, and were behind the Which Country...Our Country open letter from John Major published in Sunday

In spite of M&C's early successes, the companies remain mismatched, with Cordiant's billings of £4 billion confirming its status as a colossus of the advertising industry. The defection of some clients and staff to M&C initially raised questions about Cordiant's long-term prospects. But the appointment of Jennifer Laing to head Saatchi & Saatchi UK and a £127 million one-for-one rights issue has steadied the ship, and will make Cordiant a much tougher nut to crack.



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... to the ridiculous dross of a movie like Judge Dredd, British cinema celebrates its centenary

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Stanislavski, Artaud and Bertolt Brecht all have a voice in Peter Brook's treatment of Hamlet



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Hollywood actor Morgan Freeman on why he jumped at the chance to star in the gruesome new film, Seven

God save our gracious screen

British film enters its second century under-achieving under fire - and under orders from

Geoff Brown not to succumb to dross

ust when you were getting thoroughly tired of hearing about cinema's centenary, the business starts all over again. The bulk of the world may have picked 1995 as the year for all the hoopla, but Britain has chosen 1996, because it was only during 1896 that cinema emerged in this country as a regular public attraction.

On February 21 of that year, a selection of the Lumière brothers' films appeared at the Regent Street Polytechnic. The following month the show transferred to the Empire Theatre, Leicester Square, a building long since swallowed up by the glitzy cinema currently showing The American President, Apollo 13 and Babe mone of them, predictably, a British

Compared to the celebrations organised by the French, the British centenary manifestations, coordinated either by the British Film Institute or the industry-led body Cinema 100, are particularly low on panache and patriotic glee. You could not move in Paris last year for exhibitions and film series trumpeting French cinema and its proud nioneers. But here, the milestones of Britain's own early heroes like Birt Acres and Rubert Paul have passed by almost unnoticed; and the promised programme of touring shows featuring live actors and cinema clips, education packs for school children and a Museum of London echibition about the city as reflected in films is scarcely designed to keep the flag flying merrily.

The French, of course, could bang their drum loudly because cultural bodies have been securely backed by government funds. The French Govemment sees that French films of the past, present and future matter, as a source of both revenue and national pride. Our own Government's attitude to cinema and the film industry varies month by month from token appreciation to obstinate lack of

Back in October, industry spokesmen were all smiles after the news that lottery funds would be channelled each year through the Arts Council into the production of several films budgeted at about £5 million each. This, the argument went, would allow young directors to stay in Britain for their second or third films, rather than dash off at the first opportunity to lock muscles with Sylvester Stallone.

November, however, ended with cries of outrage over the Government's penny-pinching pull-out from Eurimages, the EC fund that had supported Land and Freedom, The Young Poisoners Handbook and more than 50 other co-productions since Britain joined the scheme in 1993. The Irish Film Board's chief executive Rod Stoneman vented his fury in the trade paper Screen International: "This is an action of imparalleled meanness and madness. It not only damages the



Cella Johnson and Trevor Howard in Brief Encounter, "a small-scale masterpiece which continues to speak to audiences worldwide"

prospects of UK producers but also English-language cinema in Europe

But in some ways British cinema has always been in a parlous state, no matter what meanness, madness, indifference or encouragement has been displayed by the government in power. François Truffaut famously suggested that there was "a certain incompatibility between the terms 'cinema' and 'Entain' ". Hie Sdoke sweepingly and rudely, but enough uncomfortable truth remains to give one pause for thought, especially in the light of our timid centenary

British cinema history began brightly enough. We had the inventors. In the early years we developed trick processes, and led the world in training the camera on the world around us. Britain fell back when films grew longer and began telling complex stories. American films had the dynamic thrust; ours just had

pretty scenery and flocks of sheep. By the late 1920s young sparks like Hitchcock and Asquith were showing a new degree of visual sophistication. But such gains were lost with the coming of sound, which allowed our literary and theatrical traditions to dominate, and strengthened the power American movies exerted over audiences. Why bother about Gracie Fields when you could dance away

the night with Fred Astaire? From the 1930s on British films became wedded to actors and words. Sometimes the marriage was happy.

as with Olivier's Henry V or, on a different level, the music-hall antics of a Will Hay or George Formby. But there has been too much prose, too little poetry, too little to excite the visual eye or prick the heart; and the British director who thinks fluently in images — such as Powell, Mackendrick, Reed, Lean, Greenaway or Jarman - remains very much the exception.

6 In some ways British cinema has always been in a parlous state ?

tors certainly take Truffaut's line. Twentysomethings such as Danny Cannon and Paul Anderson were born into the era of Star Wars. Not for them any routine homage to British documentary, Ealing comedy, kitchen sink realism or the other accepted highlights of our film culture. Cinema to them means Hollywood, popcorn and slam-bang action; and after one feature each, grafting American excitement on to the British urban scene, they have both run to Hollywood's arms to make action fantasies based on comic strips or video games. If their fortunes hold up, they may never have to look for a pay packet or create

a recognisable human being again. Yet British cinema, flaws acknowledged, is still worth celebrating, and certainly worth fighting for. When our industry is buoyed by confidence and in touch with ordinary people's emotions we can make a small-scale film which, for all its 1940s middleclass trappings, continues to speak to audiences worldwide.

But if the industry loses its national identity and simply services American projects, the future will only bring dross like Judge Dredd, the comic-strip nightmare shot by Dan-

ny Cannon at Shepperton.

Even a great talent like Hitchcock loses individuality when he moves to Hollywood, away from his roots. Born to a north London greengrocer, he was able to make thrillers alive with quirky observations of urban life. Sabotage, made in 1930, glories in the atmosphere of London street markets, suburban cinemas, the Lord Mayor's Show, and an Islington bird shop (where a bomb-maker roosts). An American film like North by Northwest has a smoother technical surface than the thrillers of the 1930s, but Hitchoock picks the most obvious locations, like the United Nations and the carved worthies of Mount Rushmore. In Britain he was an insider, in America he remained a

So during this centenary year, with the industry continuing to bemoan and bleat, usually about the need for tax incentives, we should clearly keep in mind what kind of cinema we really want to promote. With Ridley Tony Scott now running Shepperson Studios and the new facility at Leavesden Aerodrome, a possible site of future films from Spielberg and George Lucas, Ameri-Bridsh ext tise will continue to be made. They are good for employment, but they hardly constitute an indigenous film industry; and they must be balanced by medium-budget movies with a

British stamp. Sadly, art-house ventures of the Jarman or Greenaway kind seem to be a dying breed at the moment, unless they happen to be written by Jane Austen. But Shallow Grave, the one British film of 1995 to earn a place in the box-office Top 20 tabulated by Screen International (it was No 18). shows that audiences will go to see local product other than Four Weddings and a Funeral. Their numbers might increase further if exhibitors and distributors gave British films

greater exposure. One thing is clear: there is no room anywhere for fodder, for cramped TV-style productions or botched little comedy thrillers like The Steal, the worst British film to crawl into the light last year. If we want to celebrate 100 more years of cinema - British cinema - in 2096, we must husband our resources very carefully.

CHAMBER MUSIC

Leader lost on group outing

THE Wihan Quartet of Prague won first prize at the 1991 London International String Quartet Competition. but since then it has been somewhat eclipsed by another excellent ensemble from that city, the Skampa Quartet.

It would be nice to be able to report that the Wihan, during their recent recital at the Wigmore Hall, deserved just as much acclaim as the Skampa. But, in all honesty, their playing cannot be said to have you on the edge of your seat in the same way, and the Wihans appear to have a major liability in the shape of their leader, Leos

His ill-tuned opening flourish in Schubert's Quartetisatz might charitably have been put down to nerves or the extreme climatic conditions. However, things did not improve. His idiosyncratic intonation (slightly sharp) and mis-hits continually distracted attention from the virtues of the

Chief among these are the pulsating inner life it brings to textures of energetic pas-sages, as well as an absolute precision of ensemble and a spontaneous interweaving of voices of which any quartet

Wihan Quartet Wigmore Hall

The Wihan was heard at its best in a work by Dvořák, a compatriot. In the G major Quartet Op 106 the interplay of instruments was finely controlled, whether in the context of the vivacious first movement (bows bouncing lightly on strings) or the rapt stillness of the closing bars of

Also admirable was the way meaning was given to what might normally have been regarded as padding for the inner voices. In the finale of the Dvorak it took the form of shimmering figuration; in the Trio of the Menuetto of Mozart's Hunt Quartet, K 458, it was an endearingly pronounced tick-tock accompaniment on the viola.

If the expressive modulations of the first movement of the Mozart might have been "placed" with a touch more care, the interplay of voices in all four movements was once again highly responsive, not least in the vigorous contrapuntal discourse of

> BARRY MILLINGTON

A performance to charm the ear

PROBABLY the last of 1995's Purcell tercentenary tributes came from the Brindisi Quartet, who opened their Saturday night programme with three of his four-part Fantasias, played with rhythmic vivacity and warm sonority. This was the kind performance that completely charmed the ear by its grace and clarity of contrapuntal lines, whether in the seamless translucency of No 6 in A minor, or the more intricate textures of the

E minor Fantasia (No 7). In any case they made an ideal foil to the formal symmetry and polyphonic skill of Bartok's Fourth Quartet (1928), its often abrasive writing demanding a physicality of attack from Jacqueline Shave's first violin and her colleagues that they delivered with the utmost conviction. The brooding central movement was notable for its eloquently doleful cello solo (Christopher van Kampen) threaded through the other "night sounds" of Bartók's imagination.

On either side of this the two scherzo movements were finely characterised in the nervous wit of the first

Wigmore Hall

Brindisi Quartet

where all the instruments are muted throughout, and the dynamic contrasts achieved entirely through Diuckea sirines gretto pizzicato. After the break the planist

Barry Douglas renewed a previous association with the quartet by joining them again for the F minor Piano Quintet by Brahms. His piano had stood untouched but with its lid open through the previous part, setting up an occasional extra resonance to the string players, but in collaboration with them the grand romantic manner of Brahms took on almost the substance of a symphony.

Douglas's powerful playing was always geared to the sonority of the strings, themselves richly sustained as well as crisply articulated, with a controlled fervour that must have spread a warm glow of satisfaction throughout a full hall.

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Peter Brook's Hamlet draws upon some of the century's greatest dramatic theorists, Andy Lavender reports

What noble minds are here o'erhauled

n a typical mixture of seriousness and panache, Peter Brook's latest project s one of his most ambitious. Qui Est Ld is Brook's engagement with Shakespeare's Hamlet. It is an immediately enticing venture for, as Brook suggests, when the actors from his Paris-based Centre international de Créations Intatrales turn to the bestknown play in the world, "this evokes all sorts of immediate pestions of theatre". In addressing them he has called upon some esteemed thinkers: the show is filtered through the writings of six major figures in world drama

"We actually present a sort of mosaic," Brook says. which is a work on fragments of Hamler which is constantly modified by voices coming from the past." Five of these belong to directors and theorists from the first half of the Century There are the Russians Stanislavski and Meyer-hold the former the founder of naturalistic acting, whose Valencia still the basis of most actor training today, the latter Redical director who fell victim to Stalin's purges.

"Meyerhold is not only the reatest genius in the theatre," Brook says, "but the one authentic martyr in the Socratic sense, in that he was destroyed by his society because he questioned it too

There is the French writer and director Antonin Artaud, whose calls for a "primal" theatre have stirred many hearts. There is Bertolt Brecht, who bestrides the 20th century as its most provocative playwright, director and theorist. And there is the English director and designer Edward Gordon Craig, in Brook's est-mation perhaps the most neglected of all the great figures in the theatre".

These, then, are the shadows at Brook's elbow, joined by a still dustier luminary. In acknowledging the influence of oriental theatre on each of his chosen directors, Brook has gone back to the first written source, a book called The Secret of Noh by the Noh master Zeami. The result is nothing less than an exploration of meaning and technique Qui Est La spened recently at the Bouffes du Nord Brook's magnificently dilapidated Parisian theatre. On a bare wooden platform, with only a few simple black chairs, the seven actors move seamlessly between scenes from the play and a discussion of how they might best be presented. The show's title comes from the first line of Shakespeare's text. Brook gives it to David Bennent, who plays Horatio theatrical fun. He bounds onto the stage, looks breezily about and demands, "Who is there?" Yoshi Oida shakes his head in amused disapproval. Bennent enters again, this time with a somersault: more spectaculary wrong. The third time, to hollow knocks provided by Mahmoud Tabrizi-Zadeh, the lone musician, Bennent slowly turns, steps onto the platform,

its breath. The show thrives on these dimpses, as if it constantly catches the play on the run. Its fragments are spliced with discourses on the nature of passion, on the difference be-

edges under an imaginary

rampart and quietly asks his

question. The audience holds



Nob quarter: Brook has co-opted medieval Japanese theatre

tween the abstract and the concrete, and on similarly engaging matters, which, in a two-hour production, leave somewhat less room for the play itself. "In rehearsal and privately one uses very severe words in relation to Shakespeare," Brook says, "On the one hand, one admires him graveyard scene which pre-

and on the other, one doesn't

hesitate to say. This is unbe-

excised the entire last act of

Hamlet, arguing that some of

the most vital themes of the

play are expressed in the

True to his word, Brook has

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more than any other author,

not speak French, you will not follow the discussions about theatrical possibilities, for this is a text-heavy show. Thankfully. Brook is contemplating an English production. Once or twice, too, when the

cedes it. In his version, a

notably serene Ophelia delivers her "mad" speeches during this section. The whole de-

novement is calm, focused and

There are difficulties for English spectators. If you do

original.

actors eather round to share words of wisdom, the reverence appropriate to a masterclass is nearly cloying. And is there a further danger - that the show raids the work of hugely different practitioners to promote the idea of a "timeless" theatre?

"For years, everything I have done has been to strip away from any work any forms of cultural association," Brook says, "So when you say. 'Isn't there a danger?", I'd say. "Isn't there a virtue?"

The quest, he suggests, is paramount. "What has made Hamlet great is above all the dramatising of an intense and anguished questioning. This passionate questioning is what really connects people as different as Craig. Artaud, Brecht, Meyerhold and Hamlct, and makes bedlellows of them all."

• Qui Est Là is at the Théâtre des uffes da Nord. Paris (0033 1 46 07 34 50 Juntil March 23

Old Australian gold collection resurfaces

British Gold Sovereigns from the

late 1800's come to light One of the world's biggest collections of British gold sovereigns established by an Australian, Paul Terry, over many years is on the

market again. When he died in the

late 80's the collection was split up and sold. Part of the collection has now been rediscovered in the vaults of the ex Royal Mint branch in Perth, now owned by Western Australia Governn This board of British Victorian sovereigns dated between 1871-1901 and struck by the Royal Mint many of which have the mint marks of Melbourne and Sydney have survived in superb condition. Now over 100 years old and possibly struck from the metal extracted from the early gold rushes of the new colony. They represent good value for money and are steeped in history. These 22 carat gold coins weighing nearly a quarter of an ounce

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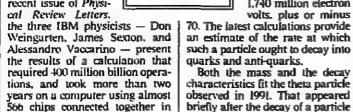
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yet another of the fundamental particles of matter, thanks to a heroic piece of computation by three scientists from IBM. In what may well be the largest single calculation ever performed by a computer, they have worked out the properties to be expected of objects known as "glueballs".

As their name implies, glueballs are the things that stick other particles together. The ruling theory of matter - known as the Standard Model - says that everything consists of quarks. assembled in various ways to make the more familiar protons and neutrons. But the Standard Model does not give any indication of what it is that holds the quarks together. That comes from a later theory, called quantum chromodynamics or QCD, which proposes the existence of gluons. particles that carry the strong nuclear forces to stick the quarks

The trouble has been that nobody has ever managed to see a gluon. Or maybe they have, without quite realising it. For the IBM calculation shows that the glueball, which consists of a clump of gluons, may be one and the same as the mysterious theta particle, picked up more than ten Big sum adds up to success

erator in California. Like all scientific theories, OCD makes predictions about how the world ought to behave. But the equations are so complex that they are impossible to solve without making simplifications, and even then they take a very long time on powerful computers. In a recent issue of Physi-





the marathon calculation. BRIEFING Nigel

Hawkes tected at an energy of 1,740 million electron volts, plus or minus an estimate of the rate at which such a particle ought to decay into quarks and anti-quarks.

could all compute at

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Back in 1993, the

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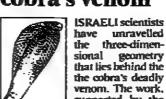
Both the mass and the decay characteristics fit the theta particle observed in 1991. That appeared briefly after the decay of a particle made up of a quark and antiquark, which annihilate each other, leaving behind the lingering image of the gluons that held them together, rather like the grin on the face of the Cheshire Cat.

Dr Weingarten is convinced, though other scientists remain more sceptical. The British physicist Frank Close, head of theoretical physics at the Rutherford-Appleton Laboratory, has his own candidate. Guided by a prediction by a seven-university team called UK QCD, he went looking for a particle with a mass of about 1,550

He and Swiss physicist Claude Amsler found it in an experiment that has been running at the lowenergy antiproton ring at the European Particle Physics Laboratory in Geneva for the past five years. Among the decay products detected was one with a mass of 1.500 MeV. So is this, rather than the Stanford particle, the true Maybe, thinks Frank Close.

Possibly, the two could be the same glueball in different guises. "It's sensible," he says, "to start taking seriously that glueballs really do exist." To prove it will need even more precise calculations, using better methods, and yet more experimental data.

Dissecting the cobra's venom



sional geometry that lies behind the the cobra's deadly venom. The work, supported by the United States Army Medical and Development Command, could help in the production of new antidotes for snake venom, or for nerve gases that work in a similar

Snake venom kills by interfering with a key enzyme, anticholinesterase (AChE). The job of the enzyme is to break down the chemical acetylcholine, which carries messages from nerves to muscles. If the signalling chemical is not broken down, it continuously sends the same message, causing muscles to contract and

A team from the Weizmann Institute, Rehovot, made crystals of a complex formed by AChE and a toxin called fasciculin, contained in the venom of the green mamba, a relative of the cobra. From previous work the

eventually killing the victim.

knew that the enzyme has a deep, narrow chasm in its three-dimensional structure. It is within this chasm that the acetylcholine is broken down. They also knew that fasciculin looks rather like a hand

with three fingers sticking out.
They found by analysing the complex that the "middle finger" of the toxin wedges itself straight into the enzyme's chasm, preventing the acetylcholine from getting

This is possible because electrical charges on the enzyme and the toxin nudge the approaching toxin into the right position before

Catching comet dust in a soufflé



THE US space agency Nasa is to go fishing for star-dust, using as a net the lightestknown solid material. Early next century a satellite

called Stardust will swoop past comet Wild-2, missing its icy core by 60 miles or so, to scoop up dust particles that make up the comet's tail. This is the very stuff of

which the solar system was made. The mission should collect thousands of dust particles and parachute them down to the deserts of Utah for a mere \$200 million, which planetary scientists regard as bargain basement. It is now 23 years since the last samples of extru-terrestrial material were recovered by Apollo 17 astronauts. but that project cost \$25 billion. Getting fragments of a comet for \$200 million is "nearly miraculous", says the principal investigator, Donald Brownles, of the

University of Washington. Not the least of the problems is slowing the particles to a halt without damaging them, as they will be moving through space at a speed of 12,000 miles an hour. The material to do it is an aerogel, a substance rather like expanded

polystyrene but more so. In an aerogel, 99.9 per cent of the volume is air, separated by a three-dimensional network of silica. Aerogels are nature's souffles. nearly as light as air but surprisingly strong. Tiny particles from the comet's tail colliding with the aerogel will gently bury them-selves in it and slow down so imperceptibly that they will be undamaged. On the ground, the astronomers will extract and ex-

Can scientists shake off their mad media image?

American physicists are campaigning to change the way they are portrayed on screen, but Geoff Brown believes the absent-minded professor is here to stay

obert Park, a professor at the University of Maryland. has not been the same since he saw a commercial for a slimming aid on American television last autumn. It was not the product itself that disturbed him; as a specialist in condensed matter. some might say he is in the diering business himself. No. it was the man in the corner, a small, twitching scientist with bad skin who sits grunting in his lab and proves the butt of

the advertiser's humour. Professor Park was not laughing. For him the advertisement was the last straw. Supported by colleagues in the American Physical Society, he has let his wrath boil over in a full-scale assault on the popular image of scientists as

nurtured by movies and television. Scientists are generally portrayed as myopic, absentminded, unkernot of hair, even crazed: and all this at a time when most social, ethnic or professional groups are wrapped in the cotton wool of political correctness.

"This is not healthy." Park argues, "nor is it a trivial concern. Never in my life have I met a scientist who looked remotely like Jerry Lewis's professor, the shambling, buck-toothed hero of The Nutty Professor. And take Jurassic Park: it was good in that it gave children perhaps their only introduction to genetic engineering, but when the scientists in the film get the secret of life, what do they do? They huild an amusement park!"

The professor is right, of

course. Though there have been a few serious attempts to treat scientists with respect. the archetype of most movie scientists remains Mary Shelley's Victor Frankenstein, Brilliant man, of course, bu misguided; apt to get carried away in his obsession with creating Boris Karloff from an assortment of body parts.

Frankenstein had even madder movie contemporarcreated by H.G. Wells, and memorably given life by Charles Laughton in island of Lost Souls. His speciality was also genetic engineering: his laboratory was an island of grotesques, half-animal, halfhuman. Or how about Dr Alexander Thorkel as a role model? Albert Dekker's character in Dr Cyclops might be the world's greatest biologist. but his fondness for shrinking people to the size of chickens

Postwar movie scientists were largely of a different breed. They wore white coats and worked on hush-hush government assignments though their mental stability was still questionable. Science in the 1950s was widely accepted as the new frontier, but this was also a time of fear and paranoia, and some scientists

for the Nobel Prize.



Frankenstein's legacy. Christopher Lloyd continues the cinema's tradition of nutty scientists as the time-travelling inventor in Back to the Future

aries too far. Men like Lee Van Cleef in It Conquered the World: he regarded the "it" as a close personal friend, and got chewed up for his pains by a squashed cactus from Venus.

Film after film repeated the conflict: the men with guns keen to shoot down the alien: the men with clipboards eager to learn from a superior civilisation. Science-fiction films of the Fifties also fed off does not suggest a candidate the suspicion that scientists were tampering too much with nature. So many nuclear tests took place in New Mexico that the result, in Them!, was an

army of giant ants. Once horror and sciencefiction films had established the stereotype of the mad or misguided scientist, comedies and action extravaganzas stepped in to spread it around.

Youngsters in the 1960s delighted in The Absent-Minded Professor, the Disney comedy featuring Fred MacMurray as the distracted inventor of "flubber" - flying rubber, that is,

wenty five years later. a different generation rejoiced at Christopher Lloyd's crazed inventor of the time machine car in Back to the Future. And Dr Cyclops has been reborn in an innocent guise as Honey, I Shrunk the Kids. Since Rick Moranis's scientist is a bumbling nerd, the shrinkage is

now accidental. Instead of fulminating against bad type-casting, the American Physical Society should ask themselves why serious movie characteris-

ations of scientists have not

taken hold. A worthy scientist. all scriptwriters know, is a boring one. True, the moment of discovery might produce high drama; but how do you handle the years of research, the false trails, the midnight hours hunched over comput-

ers and test-tubes? A few successes can be found. Peter Ustinov's School for Secrets, made in Britain in 1946, did its best to capture the tension of scientists battling to perfect radar. And in 1987, Life Story, the BBC's excellent film about cracking the DNA code, made the research process appear as exciting as a detec-

tive thriller. Even Hollywood has made some attempt to treat science seriously. Warner Bros tried in the 1930s with popular biographical films about Louis Pasteur lighting microbes and

Dr Ehrlich fighting syphilis. A few years later at MGM, Greer Garson lent her gentle charms to the story of Madame Curie. But in the battle between science and Hollywood gloss, science invariably lost out. Scientists trying to shake hands with Martians were so much more enter-

taining. The language of science is another problem. Either scriptwriters bamboozle the neral audience with gibberish, or an expert is hired to coach everyone in the authentic technical terms. Film-makers want words to match the reality of their sets and special effects, with the result that half the talk in Apollo 13 sails over people's heads. At least Professor Park recognises the prob-

lem. "We cannot seem to free

ourselves of the jargon in

which we address ourselves he says. "Our wives have g used to it, but not the public What price, then, a tel vision series about scientist Professor Leon Lederman. the Illinois Institute of Tec nology, is so eager to see or that he has set up a fightir fund with the American Ass

ciation for the Advancement Science to help explore ti possibilities. The result is Ti Dean, a projected show also a research facility where scie tists regularly make eart shattering breakthroughs. British producer Adria (1)
Malone, whose credits inclu-

The Ascent of Man, has begiven the job of pitching L concept to the US network The only rules, he says, a "not to tell lies about scien and never to bore people Some contradiction, surely?



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Antarctic rock holds secret of global warming

Researchers are preparing to drill beneath the sea ice for clues to the climate of the past, says Jo Andrews

eologists in Antarctica have successfully completed trials for a drilling project about to unlock some of the most impor-tant secrets of the Earth's climate. They hope, with the help of rocks up to a hundred million years old, to make more accurate predictions about the impact of global

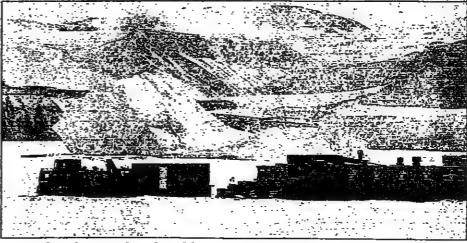
warming.
The Cape Roberts project. which is being undertaken by six nations, including Britain, myolves drilling in some of the toughest conditions on the planet. The rocks that geologists want to sample lie off-shore from the Transantarctic Mountains in the Ross Dependency. To reach them will mean drilling, from the sea ice, nearly half a mile beneath

The drill rig, which is being built in Christchurch. New Zealand, is due to be shipped to Cape Roberts this month. Rig and platform will be about 50ft high and the entire research unit will weigh more than 50 tonnes. All that has to be balanced on sea ice, in l places no more than 5ft thick.

The scientists and drill crews will have to work in temperatures as low as minus knots, while living on site for six weeks at a time, in converted shipping containers. Geologists believe the core

samples, which will cost more than \$5 million (about £3.3 million) to obtain, will yield vital information about the stability of the Antarctic ice sheet and how it changes when the climate changes. The project's science manager. Alex Pyne, of Victoria University in New Zealand, says: We hope it will help us to predict more accurately what may happen in Antarctica when global warming occurs.

"Some scientists think that the Earth's average tempera-ture may warm by two or three degrees. In Antarctica that could be as much as five to seven degrees. What happened in previous warmer times? How much of the sea ice disappeared? How much of the Antarctic ice sheet melted? And how much did sea levels rise? People don't know the answers. One way of predict-



Cape Roberts in Antarctica, where drilling will start in some of the world's toughest terrain

ing is to go to rock history to find out what happened in a previous warm time The rocks that will be stud-

ied are anything between 30 and 100 million years old and were formed before the present major ice build-up in Antarctica, when dinosaurs became extinct. Cape Roberts is the perfect site to find them because they have been pushed far closer to the surface there by the rise of the Transantarctic Mountains and because the glaciers have gouged out the sea bed.

The Antarctic Ocean is also

the birthplace of most of the main weather systems in the southern hemisphere, so the information could help meteorologists to predict what kind of global climate changes will occur if the sea levels rise in

If the equipment will be stored over winter on the Antarctic mainland at Cape Roberts. Next October, spring in Antarctica, if the ice is considered thick and stable enough, the rig will be dragged 12 miles over the sea ice to the first drill site.

Rock beneath the ocean floor in Antarctica is not frozen, and the geologists want

the cores to stay that way to prevent them from being damaged. That means ensuring that they do not freeze as they come up through the sea. which is at minus 2C, and then to the surface, where the air temperature may be as low as minus 35C. It means that the mud pumped into the drill holes to help cut the rock, and the core samples taken out all have to be electrically heated. In addition, the whole work-

ing platform of the rig will be

encased and warmed to ma it possible for the crew work. They will work 12-hoshifts round the clock in the 2 hour daylight of the la spring and early summer.

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Drilling will continue f two summer seasons, with t entire site packed up on t mainland for the winter. T strict environmental protocx now governing Antarcti mean that when the project over there should be no tra of it remaining, apart from t many findings from t project which are expected be published in August 1998

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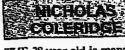


Between them, Old Etonian Nicholas Coleridge and the former East Ender Terry Mansfield dominate the massive market for women's magazines in Britain. Dominic Kennedy reports.









director of Conde Naste Publications, which reaches three million women a month. Three out of four of his 330strong workforce are women; he has lost no women editors

Which magazines does he control? Vogue, House & Garden, GQ. Tatler, Vanity Fair, The World of Interiors.

Readers? All his titles have increasing circulations.

Any vanishing women edi-tors? Not lately. But Emma Soames left Tatler shortly after his arrival as editorial director of Conde Naste in 1989. About three years ago, Liz Tilberis left Vogue to edit Harpers Bazaar in the United States. Since then, they have been sticking to him like files to ointment.

What he says about women editors: "Handle them with tact and civility like a normal person ... and say thank you

Which means? Whenever they win a major award, he sends them a stupendous bouquet of camelias and gardenias. Editors of the National Magazine Company are especially bitter about this.

Roots? His great-great-greatgreat-great uncle was the poet Samuel Taylor Coleridge. His father David used to be head of Lloyd's. Nicholas was educated at Eton and Trinity College, Cambridge, His career started at the Falmouth Packet. He is also an author. He is always eager to remind your When I was a war correspondent, I spent iwo weeks in prison in Sri Lanka

on suspicion of being a Tamil her life? indeed, Georgia (more Cherie Booth than Norma Major) spends two morn-ings a week helping at the Daily Mail. A third baby is on the way. Although she has appeared in the occasional list of Britain's top beauties, she finds time to prepare dinner for 14 at their elegant home in Notting Hill Gate. The guest list is likely to include Dominic Lawson and Charles Moore. Friends also include Conrad Black, Paula Yates, Lord Snowdon, Joan Collins, Loyd Grossman and Dominic

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What is their home like? Georgia has chosen the colour scheme - pink for the reception room, bright yellow for the sitting room and vivid green for the bookshelves. The colours reflect the permanently sunny personality of his wife," said a dinner guest hoping to return.

Which of his magazines is she most likely to read? House & Garden for decorating and food tips. Tatler for "glamour and wit". And least? Brides.

Appearance: Coleridge yours the dandy look typical of

waistcoats and cravats, with canary yellow socks. What he thinks his enemies say about him: "Dangerously ambitious and

glib."
What his enemies do say: "Nobody in their right mind could call Nicholas Coleridge sexy" -- former woman editor. What advertisers think of his titles: "Conde Naste have very strong products and very strong brands but the organisation tends to sit at the conservative end of magazine publishing. It has undoubtedly suffered because of that in the last few years" - Jim

Marshall, managing director of the Media Centre. Favourite television gramme: London's Burning and Have I Got News For

Aftershave: "I seldom wear it but probably something by Chanel because I love the bottle shape." Sometimes uses the samples in GQ.

What do his American bosses think of him? "Nicholas is an absolutely brilliant executive, doing a brilliant job. He is intelligent, brilliant" - Jonathan Newhouse, chairman of Conde Naste International. Catchphrase: "I say."

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But not to Marcelle d'Argy

Smith, who - in her resigna-

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TERRY MANSFIELD

THE 57-year-old is managing director of the National Magazine Company, which reaches six million women a month. He employs 350 staff, but in the past four months, four of his top women editors have

Which magazines does he control? Good Housekeeping, Cosmopolitan. House Beautiful, Company, SHE, Country Living, Esquire, Harpers & Readers? The eight titles have

sold 25 million extra copies this year, leading Mr Mans-field to proudly declare: "The National Magazine Company employs the very best people in the magazine industry." So his staff are sitting pretty? Not quite. Since winning that vote of Tel's confidence in August, four of his women editors have left, including Francine Lawrence, of Country Living (to work with the disadvantaged in Colombia), Linda Kelsey, from SHE the editor for women who juggle their lives had been suffering from a build-up of anxiety and stress), Maggie Goodman (in charge of new magazines and development). They join the ranks of previous leading ladies: Vicki Woods, of Harpers & Queen, Noelle Walsh, of Good Housekeep-

Smith, of Cosmopolitan. What is his biggest success story? Good Housekeeping. whose circulation soared from 360,000 to more than half-amillion under his choice of editor, Sally O'Sullivan.

At least be can still count on her, then. She left two weeks ago, headhunted to work as an executive for IPC magazines. As Ms O'Sullivan told The Times: "It is always a blow to ose the editor of your flagship title. It is without doubt a further blow to lose that person to the opposition ...! would have felt hurt and angry if somebody (want to lose came and

resigned." Any truth in the rumour that Mis O'Sullivan was determined she would choose her moment to go, while her magazine was at the peak of success? "It's always best to leave, if you can, when the party is really in swing." she What do the advertisers think



Mansfield: he says buying editors is like buying horses — they need time in the stable

of all this commotion? Frankly, they couldn't care less as long as the readers don't follow the editors out of the

exit door. What he says about women s: "Buying editors is like buying horses. For every day they look fantastic, they may need three days in the stable. Does his own woman juggle her life? Not particularly. Helen, his wife of 30 years, stayed at home to mind their daughters, Anna and Victoria. now grown up.

What's she like? described as a "Norma Major type", she devotes her time to

worthy causes, such as Victim Support. She once confided that she was allergic to buttons, so all her clothes have to be wrapped and tied. Roots? Brought up in Walthamstow, he was a Forces

nter on Christmas Island and a Butlins redcoat before a career in advertising. Favourite television proeramme: Friends say dening World to help with his pastime - digging the large garden of his home Hertfordshire. Aftershave: Aramis.

Appearance: Somewhat vertically challenged, and pos-

sesses a lazy eye. His sartorial skills have improved of late. As one of his former editors puts it sniffily: "He went to America to be groomed; he came back knowing where to get clothes. You can train a man to look good." What do his A

think of him? He is the American boss - the first Briton to sit on the board of the Hearst Corporation. Catchphrase: Speaking not only as managing director of

the National Magazine Company but also as a board director of the Hearst Corporation of New York . . . "

An outsider who took the hot seat

t may come as a faint disappointment to Good Housekeeping's loyal readers that its incoming editor did not devote her New Year's Eve to whipping up the magazine's recommended fun astrological buffet.

Instead, Pat Roberts Calms spent a quiet evening with her husband, sharing a supermarket haggis while doubtless reflecting that the past days had been sufficiently starstruck to dispense with the festive cosmic chocolate cake (540 calories per slice).

A fortnight has passed since

Roberts Cairns was summoned to the office of Terry Mansfield, the managing director of the National Magazine Company, and invited to lead his flagship title. Terry had just come back

from New York and been told by Sally O Sullivan, the editor. that she was leaving. He wanted to act quickly and smoothly, and I said yes at once. It was very nice, and it felt very right."

So far, so undramatic. Another slot satisfactorily filled, another good woman promoted. And there we might leave it, but for the extraordinary recent events at Britain's top women's magazine publi-

The heights to which Robens Cairns has climbed are, these days, as eerily deserted as K2 in a whiteout. In the past 8 months more than half the company's most senior editors issue gazed briefly into the

abyss and jumped. The reasons varied, but at kast two - Marcelle d'Argy Smith, of Cosmopolitan, and Linda Kelsey, of SHE - exited in the manner of a brace of

power-suited lemmings. At first glance, Roberts Calms appears an outsider to has world of soured glamour. Ste does not own a power suit,

Mary Riddell discovers the homely secrets of Pat Roberts Cairns, editor of Good Housekeeping pany. In order to do that, you've got to be solid. But that's different to tough." And

tress knitted and gilt-buttoned two piece. Her recreations, were they to be listed in Who's Who, would include (she is quite serious about this) tidying the sock drawer. I am incredibly mean should I be confiding this to you? I have cupboards of really had buys and no fashion classics. Plus. I have ghastly

hair - My Little Pony hair, like spun nylon. Mind you, I don't deserve to have any at all after all that Sixties bleach." If peroxide failed to render her hairless, it is unlikely that stress will prevail. Roberts Cairns is, quite simply, her reader. She is 48, sensible, nice, an avid homemaker of the kind who always Hoovers under the sofa. On workload, think buffalo.

hildless, she got married two years ago, to a / Sussex GP with three grown-up children. They met at a drinks party: "He was the first man I met who I wanted

She spends Monday to Frito marry." day at her small London flat, where she rises at 6am, and puts in a 12-hour day at the office before a work-related evening function and a Marks and Spencer microwave frozen

It is, surely, just this sort of pressure which vanquished dinner for one. her powerful colleagues? This sort of toil which reduced Linda Kelsey from the serene prophet of juggled lives to anxiety-riven defeat?

I can't speak for Linda, but to be honest I feel it's up to the individuals. If you feel you've taken on too much, it's the right thing to step back.

-It's all a question of getting things in proportion. A lot of



Roberts Cairns home to tidy the sock drawer

iournalists complain about pressure because they only meet people who do the same job, and it doesn't make for much of a let-up. Also, I have a lot of support from the team and from Terry Mansfield, who knows and loves this

have the ingredients for the sort of poisoned chalice unlikely to grace the tried-and-tested recipe pages of Good Housekeeping.

reputation for being avuncular when things go well, acid when they do not. The observer might think that editing a title for him is a bit like being married to Henry VIII - fine while it lasts. This, for Roberts Cairns, is the honeymoon, but she is quite genuine in her "He runs a very good com-

expect? She is new, she is feted,

minutes). But the truth lies deeper. In another era, she would have black-leaded the stove if blackleading was called for. In this one, her combination of ordinariness, hard work and undoubted professionalism may see her through where other paragons faltered. It is, however, clear that

those editors who retreated to Here, you may think, we the school run, Harvey Nichols and coffee with their girlfriends (the latter an excuse that the domesticated Roberts Cairns finds baffling) did not spend the last, fraught office Mansfield has acquired a days weeping into a glass of

Chardonnay with high-level colleagues. They would probably ask advice on something shareable, like a circulation problem, but not on something so personal. These are not teenage titles.

come down. Francine. I'll defi-

nitely see. Was she disillusioned with publishing? I think she just wanted to seize the moment in Colombia. Marcelle I'll see. I hope Linda's coming back. I had dinner with Maggie last week, and Vicki I didn't know so well."

So much for the cluster, but will there be more? What of Roberts Cairns herself, put in the unenviable position of defending and improving (expect more curtain pelmets and more food) a circulation of half

he says she is at times afraid, but she has achieved much. Her previous magazine, House Beautiful, became a market leader. Nor is she under any illusions. Where other new editor's desks are festooned with camellias, hers bears elderly chrysanthemums. Where oth er new editors pencil Chanel appointments into pristine desk diaries, she still laments squandering a pittance on the hideous snakeskin blouse she invested in for Christmas.

And for those who have started so joyfully and finished up bitter and harassed and exhausted, she has at least some sympathy. It's easy for me to speak. But if you've got children, husbands, the challenge of a job with a rough passage, it's not easy."

I must, she says, inspect before I go to the Good Housekeeping Institute, that epicentre of British domestic life. New year looms, and its rooms bear no sign of activity. bar a few socks whirling in a washing machine and a display of wooden blocks, coated with rival brands of polyurethane varnish.

Later they will be exhaustively scrutinised for durability and signs of wear and tear. As is common in Mansfield's "But no, the shutters don't kingdom, only the toughest

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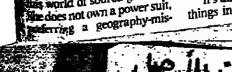
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Matthew Parris



To wash or not to wash? Greasy hair could become, like the red Aids ribbon, a fashion item

have just washed my hair. The news might seem unworthy of note were it not for two surrounding circumstances, both unusual. First, my whole head was covered in soot. Second. I gave up washing my hair in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, in 1994 on my birthday, August 7.

Or, to be less sensational and more precise, I gave up washing hair with shampoo, detergent or soap. The soot-induced relapse is to be both the first and the last in

This story is about hair. not soot, so let us get the soot out of the way. In the Pyrenees, where my parents live and where my Christmas holiday has been spent, we live in an isolated house with an oil-fired boiler. This extinguished itself at the end of 1995, choked by carbon. It had been wrongly adjusted. A morning was spent, with my father, removing_sackfuls of diesel soot: a fine, greasy powder which gets into your lungs, mouth, eyes, and, most of billion per year, and ex-plains the big advertising all, your hair. There was nothing for it but shampoo. budgets of shampoo manu-Today, though, my volun-

tary economic facturers. It would also be of against Procter & Gamble, Johnson & Johnson, The Body Shop and and the whole shampoo racket, continue. Along with training myself. greasy fur, once, from a fourand-a-quarteralthough hour to a twoand-a-haif-hour they never

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Hair doesn't need sham- dium laureth sulfosuccinpoo, you see. If you stop scalp, your scalp stops producing it. Cease washing your hair and it does not get greasier; it gets less greasy. That is why dogs, cats, guinea-pigs and monkeys do not have greasy fur. although they never shampoo.

This truth first dawned on me by chance, on a swimming holiday. We were all in and out of the water so often that my hair never developed that lank. oily look which says "shampoo me"; so why bother? Washing it with warm water alone proved sufficient to keep it clean, and this continued after the holiday. I relansed, but later, on my 44th birthday, in Bolivia, I decided to start the experiment properly. The immediate result of the shampoo ban was the expected one: my hair became disgustingly lank and greasy. I stepped up the vigour and frequency of warm water washes. Gradually the oiliness subsided. Within a month it disappeared completely. Presumably the natural oil glands in the scalp had found the right balance of secretion against depletion: enough to keep the hair fluffy without being dry. Warm water alone, of course, does remove excess oil but will leave a fine coating in place. I suppose what goes wrong when you use shampoo or soap is that the hair is so violently stripped of oil that the glands react with an emergency supply, which then oils your hair up, so you shampoo it again... and reaction, response, reaction, response

indefinitely.

And expensively. How much are we spending, as a nation, washing down our drains the oil we have artificially stimulated our scalps into producing? Britons wash their hair between once and seven times a week, a few (I daresay) even obeying the manufacturer's self-serving instructions to "rinse and repeat". The average citizen gets through — would you say? — a bottle of shampoo a month? A medium-sized bottle costs would you agree? - between El and E3; let us say £1.50. If, then, more than 50 million Britons are spending on average £18 per year on shampoo, that's about £1

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And not just oil. I have before me a shampoo bottle seized from our shower: Family Fresh (Extra Mild) — made in Gothenburg. The listed: "Water, sodium laur-

eth sulphate, cocamidopropyl betaine, glycol distearate, cocamide MEA, disoate, cocamide DEA, frahydroxypropyltrimonium chloride, citric acid, methyldibromo glutaronitrile, phenoxyethanol."
Golly, I wonder what the cost might be, having put all that down our drains along with tens of thousands of gailons of grease, of getting it all out again, to provide the clean water with which to wash our hair, again?

y option — to stop shampooing — has costs too, which I must not conceal. Your hair never gets that almost unnatural lustre hair gains immediately after shampooing (though you can use conditioner alone). And, though the more you wash with water the less dandruff you have. you never completely eliminate it as you can with antidandruff shampoos (how, chemically, they do this, one prefers not to contemplate). And there is that initial barrier: the first few weeks of greasy hair. But perhaps if we all gave up shampooing for Rwanda the greasy hair, like the Aids ribbon, could become a fashion item? Stranger things have happened. My campaign against shampoo goes on. La lucha, not to say la ducha, continua.

Asia has a solution to Labour's future policy problems which will satisfy even the middle class

Repeated tactical reverses are always a sign of the failure of strategy. When he came to office, John Major did have a strategy; in contrast to Margaret Thatcher's caution, his foreign policy was based on a close friendship with Germany and his economic policy on membership of the European ex-change-rate mechanism. He signed the Treaty of Maastricht and unex-pectedly won the general election of 1992. For a time the strategy looked successful, and it was certainly not stupid: however, it broke down in the autumn of 1992, when Germany decided not to support the pound. John Major's trouble was that he wanted the German alliance much more than Helmut Kohl wanted a

John Major found it impossible to replace his original strategy after it broke down. The Government's European policy became incoherent. The benefits of leaving the ERM won him no political credit because he had taken the pound into the ERM and had tried desperately to keep it there. He has by now lost the confidence both of the pro-Europeans and of the

Euro-sceptics, A deadlock Cabinet has been unable to agree on any new strategy. That has resulted in the recurrence of tactical defeats of which Emma Nicholson's transfer to the Liberal Democrats is only the most recent. There is, however, an alternative strategy which could have been much more popular: it seems likely to become the strategy on which the Conservative Party will best be able to unite in Opposition.

The new strategy is based on that of the Asian tiger. The aim would be to make Britain an off-shore European tiger with high savings, high growth, high levels of employment, low public expenditure, low taxes and low costs. Public expenditure should be brought down from its present attractive British tiger policy in

Blair could make it the year of the tiger

to 30 per cent. a target advocated both by Lord Skidelsky and by Chris Patten, the Governor of Hong Kong. This cannot be achieved without radical reform of the welfare state, which is in any case necessary on demographic and financial grounds. The aim would also be to raise the level of savings from below 20 per cent to around 30 per cent of GDP. One of the worst failures of the postwar welfare and tax structures has been the inadequate level of British savings since 1945, "10 per cent less tax; 10 per cent more savings" — that would be the Asian tiger prescription. This Asian strategy goes with the rejection of Euro ederalism which has already been made explicit by Malcolm Rifkind and John Redwood. Germany, France, Italy and Spain all suffer from excessive welfare costs and taxation, to an even greater degree than Britain. The British tigers are not anti-European but they detest the continuing European decline, and fear that a single currency would lock Britain into further decades of Euro-

Chris Patten, Malcolm Rifkind and John Redwood are three formidable Conservative leaders for the future. Even if the Labour Party wins the next election, which is very likely to be this year, these three highly intelligent politicians should be able to put together a coherent and

Opposition. They compare favour-ably with anyone in Tony Blair's Shadow Cabinet except Blair himself. Such a Conservative strategy in the next Parliament would test the incoherencies of the Labour strategy on Europe, on taxation and on the economy. Blair is far from having solved all his own strategic problems. In Tokyo on Friday, after a holiday In the healthily entrepreneurial cli-mate of Australia — his second visit in six months — Tony Blair is expected to discuss the issues of

William

globalisation and to commit new Labour to an open trade policy. He recognises that there are no more obs for life, and that new technology has created huge insecurity, but is opposed to the protectionist or isolationist reaction. He recognises that there can be no going back to bureaucratic controls and that national tax rates have to be internationally competitive. The danger of overreaction to the global competition in new technology does indeed exist both on the Left and on the Right.

Frank Field Last November, Blair made a speech in which he argued that it was "investment and savings that have been the motor for economic development in Asia". He went on to commit new Labour to "reform of welfare". He still seems to suffer from the illusion that high taxation does not crowd out savings.
One sentence in his speech seemed

particularly significant: "In Singapore, government spends 18 per cent of GDP, but for people under 55, employees and employers each face a compulsory savings rate of 20 per cent." The European welfare state provides its benefits through taxation and transfer, often between people of equal wealth, without funding the future expenditure and at the cost of current savings. The Singapore wel-fare model builds up individual savings accounts which the individual can invest and can use for specified welfare purposes, including education, medical care and retirement. These savings become freely available at the age of 55, on retirement, disablement, or death. They can be passed onto the next

If Britain had been operating a system like that of the Singapore Central Provident Fund since 1955, our savings would probably have compounded at a rate more than 50 per cent higher than we actually achieved. It would be interesting to On Saturday, Blair will arrive in schieved. It would be interesting to Singapore. He has already shown an have a proper statistical calculation

of the likely outcome. Even a back-ofthe-envelope calculation suggests
that the average family would have
additional savings in six figures, and
that the additional national capital
might be a couple of trillion pounds.
What is certain is that we should be
much richer if we had paid for
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real savings and investment.
The new Labour Government will
have to decide whether to move from
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the "tax and spend" system to "save and invest". Such a transfer would take the State out of a large part of welfare expenditure; the switch would, in time, reduce the State's share of GDP to around the 30 per cent level, while adding 10 per cent to the level of savings. For Tony Blair, the attractions are obvious; the British CPF would raise the sustainable rate of growth of the UK economy, reduce unemployment, give room both to high-priority government expenditure and to reducing taxes, and would make the new Labour Party the darling of the middle class. No single policy could make a Labour victory in the election

after next more likely. There are counter-arguments. Old Labour might regard a Central Provident Fund as privatising the welfare state, which in one sense it would be. Europe might not like Britain adopting so fundamental a tiger policy, though if it succeeded it would strengthen Britain's European position. Some purists might regard the CPF as an interference in free markets; the Treasury might think it took away what ought to be taxes. These objections do not seem over-whelming. Tony Blair is a clever and modern man. He will therefore find Singapore and the CPF a great temptation. After all, the CPF helped Lee Kuan Yew to remain Prime Minister for 29 years, which would take Tony Blair through to 2025.

Why Emma couldn't stay

The latest Tory

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many voters, says

Peter Riddell

mma Nicholson's reasons for changing party are a complicated mixture of perdisagreement. But, then, so are all defections, indeed all political decisions. It was especially crass of Michael Heseltine to challenge her explanation. Within a week of the tenth anniversary of his own walk out from the Thatcher Cabinet over the Westland affair, he, of all people. should remember that politicians are always motivated by a combination of personal ambition and principle.

British politics is so tribal that defection is never straightforward or easy. That is why it is so rare. Talking to Miss Nicholson over the weekend, was struck how similar her odyssey was in its gradual doubts, loosening of party ties and unexpected breaking point to the explanation offered by Alan Howarth when I interviewed him three months ago.

In both cases, the real question was not their unhappiness with government policies. A couple of dozen Tory MPs, and many more on particular issues, share their dislike of the Government's equivocation over Europe, its approach to the Asylum Bill, single parents, prison policy or the alleged general shift to the Right.

But very few of them, certainly no more than half a dozen, have even considered changing party, and I would be startled if even two or three more did so before the next election. Some of the disenchanted have already announced that their retirement as MPs and others will continue, grumbling in private, but held by ties of personal and party loyalty, as well as a desire to fight on for their

What is different about the defec-



tors is not their degree of disagreement, but their personal frustration: their inability to see how they can affect policy. Mr Howarth's disillusionment began after the 1992 election, when he ceased being a minister in part because he would not have "a substantial influence on the course of government at a senior level and it would be better to come out and find a new independence".

Miss Nicholson told me how she felt muzzled as a parliamentary private secretary. Having previously been involved in groups as diverse as the truancy campaign, the Howard League for Penal Reform and Shelter, she could see "little point in being an MP if denied freedom of speech and on the few occasions when I broke ranks (as in criticising ministerial attacks on single parents) being disciplined severely by the whips".

PRINDER CH. MONTAY

It was this sense of unfulfilled energy that led both to her resignation as a PPS three months ago and to her two approaches to Mr Heseltine, of which so much has been made since Friday. According to her version, these were less conversations than "30-second soundbites"; less a request for a ministerial job than a cry for help; a question about what role there was for her in the contemporary Tory party.

Her dispute with him is one of those strange paradoxes in which politics abounds. Not only did she actively support Mr Heseltine during the 1990 leadership campaign, but she wanted him to become party leader last summer, and hoped he would stand in a second ballot.

Why, I asked, hadn't she rallied to Kenneth Clarke's robust defence of the pro-European, One Nation views she has held? She admires the Chancellor and he could have been "perhaps the one person to have kept me back. I tried to talk to him, but he did not have enough time". Nobody seemed prepared to listen, a com-plaint also made by Mr Howarth

over the jobseeker's allowance and

disabled rights. These frustrations were reinforced by a growing dislike of the attitudes of many fellow Tory MPs. For Miss Nicholson, the crunch came over the Nolan inquiry. She believes in greater transparency and the disclosure by MPs of what they earn from parliamentary activities. When she gave evidence to Nolan, she was told by the Tory whips that she had betrayed her colleagues.

Worse was to come two month ago, when, after she was one of two dozen Tory MPs to vote for discic sure, she was immediately attacked by a party colleague with a sharp blow in the stomach. She was also insulted by fellow Tories complair. ing about their "substantial loss c income as a result of my vote which had lost the Conservatives the nex

There then followed the rapi courtship with the Liberal Democrat - an initial flirtation with neighbour ing Devon MP Nick Harvey, fo lowed by discussions with Lon-Holme of Cheltenham, the party broker. And now have come th

₹he pattern is remarkabl similar to what occurre during the long disintegration of the Balfour Govern ment 90 years ago. Four of the seve Tory defections to other major partie this century occurred in spring 190-One was the youthful and bras. Winston Churchill, who was fa ruder about Tory ministers, eve when he was still in the party, that either Mr Howarth or Miss Nicho son have been since they left.

Churchill, in turn, was describe as "a turncoat", "half alien an wholly undesirable", and of "trim ming his sails to every passing wind Sir Robert Rhodes James writes it his Churchill: A Study in Failur 1900-39 how "as always in thes matters, motives were probably mixed". But he acknowledges Chur chill's desire to get on, so "ther seems little doubt that he could hav been retained, at least temporarily. is the Conservative Party had he been given promotion".

Miss Nicholson and Mr Howarth like the other Tory defectors, are no In the same league, either in ability o ambition. And their political future look far more limited. But howeve convoluted their motives, such defer tors can neither be dismissed a disloyal nor ignored. Not only d they threaten the Government's a: ready slim majority but they hav expressed doubts held by the vasti greater number of voters who hav already deserted the Tories.

Party planner

teeth this morning to the plink plink fizz of New Year's Day, Lord Archer, the pince-nezed friend of Conservative prime ministers, will be brooding on the millennium.

He is planning his most spectac-ular party yet to see in 2,000 with his formula of Krug (stocks are already secured) and shepherd's



"He's finding it tough — his resolution was party loyalty

this champagne and shepherd's pie will be the most memorable." he

His thoughts are on the guest list, being honed in consultation with Old Archer's Almanack. "John Major will be at the start of his fourth administration as Prime Minister, the Viscount Heseltine will be leader of the Lords." he says. "Tony Blair will be chairman of the BBC and Ken Livingstone Leader of the Opposition."

There will be a brace of Euro-

Commissioners on his list: Sir William Cash and Sir John Pres-cott: John Redwood, Secretary of State for Scotland, may show up; and the jolly-jumpered Gyles Brandreth will pop in as Secretary of State for National Heritage.

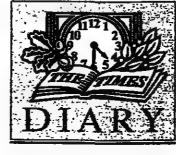
With Michael Portillo, the Leader of the House; Peter Lilley, the Chancellor, and William Hague, the Home Secretary, in attendance. Archer believes the party will go with a swing. He will be steering political opinion from a different perspective: "I shall have bought The Times to make sure that at least one newspaper will be supporting the Government."

One or two Tories in Emma Nicholson's Devon West and Torridge constituency are relieved at her defection to the Liberal Democrat camp because they it no longer have to attend her parties. "She's the world's worst party-giver," broods one old boy. "Invites everybody she knows. I sat between an Iraqi and a Kuwaiti contingent once. Thought nuclear war would break out over my head."

Jack the lad JACK RUSSELL, whose terrierlike batting and wicketkeeping

have done so much to keep English

Patricia Arquette: demanded a black orchid from her suitor



hopes alive in South Africa, is being put up for a dubious honour. His home town of Stroud in Gloucestershire wants to name a thoroughfare Jack Russell Street.

There is already Russell Street, named after Stroud's 19th-century MP and Prime Minister, Earl Russell. But Margaret Nolder, leader of the district council, wants Jack added. Locals are unimpressed: "Sounds like an alley full of lampposts," said one.

Uncaged

PATRICIA ARQUETTE, the attractive American actress, wasn't at all an easy catch to land. In next month's issue of Esquire, her husband, Nicolas Cage, explains how catessen when she was just 19. So she set him an impossible quest to prove that his intent was

"She wrote a list of things she wanted." he admits slavishly. J.D. Salinger's autograph; a black orchid; a wedding dress from a tribe in northern Tibet; and Bob's Big Boy, a fibreglass statue from a hamburger restaurant in Los Aneles, were among the trophies he

had to collect. Cage got the autograph, dyed black an orchid but manifestly failed on all other counts. He wasn't to marry his girl for another eight years.

Rude health

TONY BLAIR'S press secretary Alastair Campbell is a non-smoker, and an article which he wrote for a pornographic title when he was 22 and puffing like a train may help explain why he stopped. His thesis was that ciggies were anti-social and damaged his sex life.

The article has been reprinted in a top-shelf magazine, under the headline "Sex v Smoking". It cannot, of course, be reproduced in its entirety in a family newspaper, but the gist of the argument is distilled he declared undying love on their in one philosophical gern: "The first encounter over bagels in a deli-smoker, unfit as he is, is unlikely to



Shirley MacLaine and Doris Stokes: still talking to Dino

be able to keep the bedsprings jumping all night."

Last toast

GOOD TASTE didn't interfere with Dean Martin's Hollywood funeral. Friday's congregation included Jerry Lewis, Nancy Sinatra, Angie Dickinson and an old drinking friend. Shirley MacLaine, who has a reputation as a Doris Stokesstyle medium.



MacLaine said in her address

looking at a framed snapshot o. Martin. Piped music included hi hit, Little Öld Winemaker Me, 21 appropriate number given the de mands made of Dino's liver Lewis departed from the liturg

with some comments about his ok mucker that had the padre all-bu swallowing his dentures; and add ed: "Rest well and don't forget tr short-sheet [ie. apple-pie] my bet when I get there."

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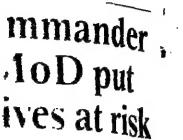
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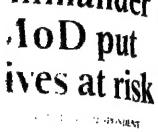
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NEW YEAR MESSAGE

Determined dreams in search of Tory voice.

Some Tories still believe they can win the Europe; Miss Nicholson's views of this issue next election; some even want to; and some know that, as long as economic conditions are correct, they must necessarily win it. New year is the determinist's special time to dream, the time when newspapers normally carry more predictions than news, when even the most myopic of voters risk a glimpse into the future. To those who think that what must be will be, this has also the advantage of being a somewhat quieter time when the forces of inevitability can be given a subtle push in the proper direction.

Thus comes the new Conservative advertising message this weekend, stressing those elemental Tory forces of low tax, low mortgages, low inflation, low rate of strikes and asking Which Country has the best record in marshalling them. It gives the answer too: Our Country. The reader is asked to spend a leisurely moment considering the solid achievements of the past 16 years, identifying with them and pondering whether, despite all the miserable business of day-to-day politics, it is really time for a change to Labour.

This holiday season has not, of course, been the usual quiet time in Tory politics. The "which country" campaign, which began in full page press advertisements on New Year's Eve, was conceived when Emma Nicholson was no more than a whingeing irritant in the Chief Whip's half closed eye. The campaign's copywriters were not to know then that holiday-duty journalists struggling for the superlative language of snow would be able to fill their front pages with fresh tales of battered Tories, vanishing majorities and opposition triumph.

The new advertisement is interesting, nonetheless. For, to a Tory determinist, the noisy flight of Miss Nicholson is as nothing in itself. What matters to Michael Heseltine, the Deputy Prime Minister and the senior and most purist in the cause, is that the economic achievements of the Conservatives exist and are seen to exist. The first of these airos, the mere existence of success, ought strictly to be enough by itself. But the second aim cannot be ignored; for various reasons the party has not made the here-and-now as marvellous as it once knew how to; it must know how to do so again.

The biggest problem for the Tory communicator is not the party's division over

are as dangerous, blinkered and as suitable for Opposition as they have always been. Yes. John Major has been moving away from her—and he has the backing of history and principle in so doing. The real problems for the Tories are the Tory politicians. Government ministers tramp upon a neverending staircase of events. Party bosses bark like bad-tempered animals. Most backbenchers see a merciless disaster closing fast upon their hopes: few find support or solace from Downing Street and many are unwilling now to pretend otherwise. What is the salesman for the Conservatives to do?

The new advertisement is not quite free of politicians. The proud claims about the success of Our Country are attributed to the writer of the streaky signature whose name, were it written on one of the Christmas cards in this office, could be interpreted as a New Zealand rugby player, a Japanese diplomat or, more likely, someone not known by any of us. John Major's name is handwritten but not printed; nor is he pictured. The name of the Conservative Party is in such small type that even a Tory Whip could be excused for failing to notice its absence from duty. The advertisement is undoubtedly effective.

Labour leaders may be happy to shrug at this latest recovery attempt and get back to the business of destroying Mr Major before he has even a chance to recover. But to Conservatives who truly want to win the election there may be comfort yet in this message for the new year. Tory loyalists already expect little good from the hell and high water' that the Prime Minister promised his party chairman this weekend. They can easily predict the lost by elections and local elections and the damnation of the Scott report. They know that their governing majority is at risk from both defection and the grave: whether the probability of death or defeat is the lower, even Mr Heseltine cannot know.

But they can also contemplate how, even in a year of more messy deals and compromise, there will be achievements to add to earlier economic advance. Tory words will certainly be found to express those achievements. Tory money will be found to make sure that those words are read and heard. As for the Tory voices, they will ideally be of the disembodied kind.

NEW WORLD TIMES

First with the news — and now around the world

From today The Times is available on craft. It pioneered the telegraph and computer screens from Valparaiso to wireless. The history of The Times can be Woolloomooloo; this edition has been "live", told as one long story of newer and faster as they say, since 2.30am and since then, at processes and presses, from revolutionary the tap of a few keys, enthusiasts who once had to wait for plane or boat to bring them their favourite British newspaper have been able to find us simultaneously with those relying on printed paper in Europe. On the West Coast of America this is vesterday afternoon's paper. May we wish our readers there a very good evening, and many more good evenings with The Times to come.

At first the users of this new service may be comparatively few. We expect that those with the choice of an electronic or printed edition will long prefer the more familiar form. But for readers who live or work abroad the impact can be immediate. And for the benefit of those closer to home we are determined that the heart of The Times should be as rapidly instantiated in the new electronic media as it has always been in

other great technical changes of the past. This is a moment to remember that The Times has always made its name by innovation, to recall how on November 28, 1814, the proprietor came down the press room at 6am and announced to the printers whom he had held on standby: "The Times is already printed by steam." John Walter's first steam press in Britain transformed the inky trade from a cottage handicraft into a

roaring industrial giant. The Times was founded to advertise the most revolutionary new printing technology since Gutenberg: whole words preset in type instead of single letters. For capturing and bringing home the news The Times hired the new steamships, trains, balloons and aircolour plates and half-tone photographs to the Internet today. Not all these changes were predicted as

important at the time. Newspapers have taken technological blind allies in the past and they will do so again. It is always dangerous to predict how technology will develop. But The Times is as determined as ever that its essential qualities - once confined to London by the feet and wheels of delivery-boys and then spread slowly out from the coffee-houses of the City by stagecoach and train - should be more accessible now to continental Europe and beyond.

From today there is a new "interactive" Times section, containing a news update in which the day's events as presented in the final edition are monitored and taken forward: all the classified advertisements and even our famous crosswords will come in this interactive form. We intend to introduce a personal Times system by which the reader can first order up à la carte those parts of the paper that he or she particularly wants. This instant computer selection should simulate the fingers turning the pages in the library, train or at home.

For those who prefer their Times in the hand and the serendipity of the daily helpyourself search, the paper is still here in something like the form that John Walter invented. But it is selling in numbers and to places undreamt of in the ambitions of our thundering founding fathers. Today we increase our range further: the entire world can be our news-stand.

STARS ON A PLATE

Librans are cocksure creatures. They know what they want and they usually get it. Baroness Thatcher was an archetype, as was Mahatma Gandhi before her and Earnonn de Valera. Cut from the same star-cloth were T. S. Eliot, Oscar Wilde, Nietzsche and the Duchess of York - irrepressible authors all.

Yet our Libran Monarch-elect for 1996 is that man with the American Express plastic: Sir Terence Conran. His immodest television persona may irritate the middle classes a bit, but think of how profoundly drab their lives would be without him. In his fizzing innings as the nation's premier styleand grub guru, he has perked up homes as much as palates, delivering us from provin-

cial evils and a stilted way of living. Apart from a sharp exchange with Sir Roy Strong over his savaging of the Conran biography, most biting and chewing was done last year in one or other of Sir Terence's many restaurants. The latest, the massive Mezzo in London's Soho, opened in September. But the next year promises a move away from the Conran-crowded capital. Glasgow beckons. With all the propitious moons moving firmly into his fifth kitchen, the restless entrepreneur has decided to set up shop in Scotland's fiercest city. A new Conran shop - only the fourth in the world" - is planned for Glasgow's old Sheriff Court building. The district council now sits in judgment on the application, but this Libra's stars are favourable. Taking style to Glasgow may be a delicate exercise, but it will not be without its testing moments. Sir Terence has not, so far, balked at a good challenge.

Where else this year will the expert navigator go? What other form of restaurant will he conjure up for us? Will he cater for an Oxford college or open a chop-house at Lords? We do not need the stars to tell us that he might be using less British beef in his eateries this year than he did in 1995. This Libran will have a jaunty 1996 - expansionist. innovative and daring. And as an even busier man, he will have no time to make those ads again. His stars, our astrologer tells us, say nothing about television.

From Mr George Ferguson

Bristol was cited by the late Sir John

the one English city he would show a foreigner "to give him a balanced idea of English architecture". We do, apart from many medieval churches, have great buildings by John Wood, Van-brugh, Nash, Smirke, Cockerell. Street, Godwin, Holden and Gilbert Scott, and others by notable Bristol architects. Sadly we also have our fair share of self-inflicted wounds.

ning acts of the 1960s, and remains

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Electronic keyboards hit right note From Mr Michael Eardley

That many children seeking to take

didates for external music examina-

tion boards, such as Trinity College

London or the Associated Board, and

indications are that technical stan-

dards of playing are as good as ever. if

The error, it seems to me, is to attempt to equate the electronic key-board (not the often more highly

priced digital piano, which is a dif-

From Mr Christopher Jackson Sir, Your report on electronic key-Sir. Apart from the reduction of the hoards ("Keyboards silence piano in fight for keys to kingdom of music". parliamentary majority, many Tories will deeply regret Emma Nicholson's December 28) serves only to show how this most useful resource is still defection (report, later editions. Decmisunderstood and undervalued. It is ember 30) because of her steadfast true that the piano is no longer a support for Europe and her obvious care for people. Whatever the full reasons for her move, she dramaticommonplace choice as an instru-ment, there being many equally att-ractive possibilities and because it cally illustrates the risks inherent in the Conservative Party moving to the tends not to figure prominently in pop right and "wrapping itself in the flag"

as the election approaches.

Threatened by Sir James Goldsmith's party on its flank outside and by its own Euro-sceptics inside, it is tempting for the Prime Minister to shift further in a right-wing, reluctant-European direction. To do this will attract voters who would otherwise abstain or vote for Goldsmith. However, as Emma Nicholson has dem-onstrated, moves to gather support on the Right will lose support from the centre, particularly from those who believe it is in Britain's interests to play a full and positive role in Europe. As those at the centre outnumber

Lessons as Emma

Nicholson defects

losing far more votes than are gained. Europe is at the heart of the Conservatives' internal difficulties. Eurosceptics feel a strain resulting from the party's attitude towards Europe; and as a pragmatic pro-European I feel a strain in the opposite direction. Yet do we wish the Conservative Party to split in two, or suffer continued losses? That way lies disaster, not for one

those on the Right the danger is that of

election but for many. There is a way forward to unite the party, at least for those who desire it to win. Disraeli said "Trust the people'. We should heed his dictum and in due time take key moves on Europe to the people to decide.

Both as the price of unity and because it is right, the Prime Minister should commit the party to a referendum before opting-in to a European currency, while at the same time restoring to his Government a prag-matically positive rhetoric and policy towards Europe.

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER JACKSON, (Conservative MEP for Kent East. 1979-1994). 8 Wellmeade Drive, Sevenoaks, Kent. December 30.

From Mr L. T. Smith

Sir. The affair of the desertion of Emma Nicholson to the Lib Dems illustrates the care that Conservative associations must exercise when choosing their candidates for Westminster.

Quite clearly this lady, burdened with middle-class guilt, was never a Conservative, not even with a small c. She will be much happier with Mr Ashdown - and so make all true Conservatives, who believe that charity begins at home, happier too.

Yours faithfully, L. T. SMITH, 23 Markham House, Kingswood Drive, Bowen Drive, SE21. December 30.

From Mrs Jan Prebble

Sir. The lack of charity and understanding shown by senior Conservatives to Emma Nicholson and expressed in terms of personal abuse towards her must have lost the Tories many votes. I feel sure that the electorate cannot tolerate a government which seeks to retain a majority by insisting that its MPs ignore their consciences and substitute hypocrisy for integrity.

Yours sincerely, JAN PREBBLE, 905 Nelson House. Dolphin Square, SWI.

From Mr Joe Haines

Yours faithfully,

Sir, Michael Heseltine's suggestion that Emma Nicholson would have remained loyal had she been promoted was petty, but at least it explains his appointment as Deputy Prime Minister.

JOE HAINES. I South Frith, London Road. Southborough, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. December 30.

Bristol's glories

Sir, While Simon Jenkins is quite right in berating the setting of St Mary Redeliffe, Bristol ("The glory and the shame", December 23), he is wrong in asserting that the city lacks great buildings or community spirit. We have a fine collection of historic buildings and a strong sense of community that bridges ideological differences.

Summerson some forty years ago as

It is true that Redcliffe Way was one of the most shaming highway-planPlans are afoot that would return St Mary's lost dignity, as part of an historic mile that links Temple Meads Station to the SS Great Britain in the old city docks, symbolising that missing link in Brunel's great rail-andsea journey from London to New York. It is a visionary project that promises a glorious arrival to this city.

We have the spirit, but the shame is that a great city like Bristol no longer has the means.

Yours faithfully, GEORGE FERGUSON, Ferguson Mann Architects, Royal Colonnade, 18 Great George Street, Bristol.

St Mary Redcliffe, Bristol Sir, Simon Jenkins does Bristolians a great injustice when he suggests that

Letters should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be faxed to 0171-782-5046.

notation if they wish, but most importantly offering them opportunities to create their own music with The electronic keyboard has enor-

ferent animal) with the acoustic piano.

The electronic keyboard is not a poor

substitute but a new, fast-developing

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up an instrument choose one which has some kind of pop presence is mous potential, from its use in pop music and education to its value in neither unexpected nor new - witness supporting more traditional musical the boom in popularity of the electric activities such as harmony and comguitar since the Sixties and the growth position. It is now recognised by examination boards, which observe of interest in the flute when James Galway featured in the pop charts. and develop important trends in Those who do choose the piano do music education. It should not be so because of a genuine interest in it. dismissed as some kind of inferior toy Although its popularity is declining, the piano still provides most canbut be valued, as the Director of

Tonbridge School's music recom-

mends, as a "doorway to the fun of

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL EARDLEY (Director, Music and Speech Examinations). Trinity College Lundon, 16 Park Crescent, WI.

December 29.

Bar voting rights Charity waste

From Mr Robin Spon-Smith

not better.

Sir. The controversy about voting rights in the forthcoming ballot of the Bar on a new complaints system (News in Brief, December 28: letters, December 1, 12, 18, 27) is the inevitable consequence of an absurdity.

The Bar's raison d'être is as a referral profession, offering specialist advisory and advocacy services to the clients of other lawyers. The concept of the "employed barrister" is wholly inconsistent with this.

The solution lies in the semi-fusion of the two branches of the legal profession. Everybody wishing to practise law should be required to qualify as a solicitor. After a suitable period in practice, and subject to an accreditation process, those who wished to do so should be allowed to practise as counsel on a referral basis.

This would create a structure for the profession which was rational and practical. It would undoubtedly mean a considerably smaller Bar than at present, but that would be no bad ihing.

ROBIN SPON-SMITH, I Mitre Court Buildings, Temple, EC4.

Deserving of a place

From Mr Colin MacGregor

Sir, Your page of "Anniversaries of 1996" (December 27) has a large picture of John Logie Baird, commemorating his death on June 14, 1946, and mentions the start of the BBC Third Programme on September 29, 1946. Yet on June 2, 1896, Guglielmo Marconi filed in England the first patent in the world for wireless telegraphy.

Ought not he to have had a

mention, for without him the work of Baird and the existence of the Third Programme would have been impos-

Yours faithfully, COLIN MacGREGOR, 3 Longacre Court, 21 Mayfield Road, Sanderstead, Surrey December 28.

Ashtrays à la Carlyle

From Mrs A. C. Whitmore

Sir, I was interested to read of the unusual ashtrays at The Carlyle, New York (letter, December 21).

One thing puzzles me. How does one successfully empty and clean an ashtray which is glued to a table? Is there some exclusively American technique? Yours faithfully.

BERYL P. WHITMORE. 29 Davies Avenue, Roundhay, Leeds, West Yorkshire. December 21.

one of this city's principal challenges.

From Mr Adolphe A. Salem

Sir. Are charities defeating the object of their appeals for funds? For some time, there has been a sharp increase in the volume of my

correspondence, mainly due to a proliferation of charity appeals. I would not mind receiving these although I already contribute to a number of charities of my choosing by covenant. What I object to is the fact that many are duplicated, and one is triplicated. I imagine that lists of potential

contributors are purchased from vari-ous sources, and if by some mischance I happen to be on more than one, I am circularised more than once. But surely the lists are entered on the charities' computers, the least sophisticated of which would readily sort them in alphaberical order. Why are they not checked for duplication?

The waste of money this all represents makes me commit these appeals to the waste bin. I would rather contribute to charities which spend less on their administration and more on research or other good deeds.

Yours sincerely, ADOLPHE A. SALEM, Flat 16. Downside. 8 St John's Avenue, SW15.

Prison training

From Mr John Latchford

Sir. Should at least part of the responsibility for the Prison Service (letters, December 30) now move from the Home Office to the Education and Employment Department?

The public has the right to expect prisoners to be able to lead useful lives when they leave prison. The present impression is of prisons producing trained criminals who leave with no skills that are in public demand. The difficulty of finding jobs increases unemployment figures and causes reoffending.

The Education and Employment Department should publish the educational standards of offenders on entering and leaving prison. For those serving short sentences the department should be responsible for counselling prisoners in the education and training opportunities available. For those serving longer sentences these opportunities should continue in prison. Suitable work for realistic

wages should be available. It must be better (and cheaper) for prisoners to serve shorter sentences than to leave them locked away in the prison wings to corrupt each other. As with all departments the Prison Service must be managed to deliver long-term results, not respond to

party-conference propaganda.

Yours faithfully, JOHN LATCHFORD, 225 Jersey Road, Isleworth, Middlesex. December 31.

they are indifferent to the environ-

ment of St Mary Redcliffe. In 1993, shortly before my arrival here, the St Mary Redeliffe Vestry. made up of the modern counterparts of the Bristol merchants and businessmen who built the original church, commissioned an imaginative report which formed the basis of an environmental scheme for the church prepared by Bristol City Council, Avon County Council and the Bristol Development Corporation. This came to nought as the Government would not

provide the necessary funding. Mr Jenkins refers to St Mary's as "a neglected marvel". Far from it. The outside may look dirty but the building is in excellent repair. Pollution may "drip from its ancient stones". but it houses a large and vigorous congregation and it is "all glorious

Yours faithfully, TONY WHATMOUGH, The Vicarage, 10 Redeliffe Parade West, Bristol. December 27.

Do it yourself or let them do it?

From Mr Simon Wainman

Sir, Mr Jarrett's "self-assembly bird table" (letter, December 28) is as nothing compared to my "Guide-

Nails" holder. Opening my stocking on Chrismas morning I was confronted with the following instructions:

TO BE NO HAMMERED MORE

THE FINGERS Introduce the nail in one of the holes lightly inferior to the nail, which will deep firmly supported in vertical position. 2. Leaf the sharp-pointed extremity of the nail stand out a little from the base of instrument to receive the nail.

3. Give some beats of hammer in the head of nail to obtain one principle of suitable 4. Finish the nail after having retreated the Guide-nails by simple pressure in the two-provided arms for them.

The item in question closely resembles a clothes peg. Yours faithfully, SIMON WAINMAN.

Upper Ashe House, Ashe, Basingstoke, Hampshire.

From Commander T. V. G. Binney, RN (reid) Sir, Surely Mr Jarrett has got it wrong. The "self" in his self-assembly bird table applies not to the table (a

far-fetched idea) but is directed at the Yellowhammers, woodpeckers and sandpipers should have the necessary skills but first he will have to attract

them to the scene. For this he will need a bird table. Yours faithfully, GILES BINNEY.

Close Cottage, Rogate, Petersfield, Hampshire.

December 29.

MoD move

From Mr E. C. Baker Sir, Your report (December 18) that staff starting work in the new Abbey Wood complex near Bristol are expected "to become the envy of every MoD civil servant left behind in London" will have left a bitter taste in

the mouths of many of my colleagues. We do not want to go; we have never wanted to go, nor have our views ever been considered. If we decide not to move because of family or health constraints we face the sack and unemployment.

The £25,000 quoted as relocation expenses make it sound as if we will all be winning the lottery. Once this has been passed on to estate agents. movers, solicitors, etc. London civil servants will in fact be worse off, with and reduced by up to

hours of work increased. E. C. BAKER. 8 Model Cottages, Vapery Lane, Pirbright, Surrey.

December 18.

Signs and the times

From Miss Shelley von Strunckel Sir. As an astrologer it is gratifying to observe the increasing interest in my field, evidenced by your series of lead-ing articles, which began on December 23, based on the twelve signs of the Zodiac, Unfortunately, Prince William has today wrongly been trans-

formed from a Cancer into a Gemini. Star-sign columns list dates, but the signs do not commence conveniently at the midnight hour. Rather, because birth signs are linked to the beginning of the seasons, the date and hour the seasons commence vary from year to year. Thus, the sign Capricom began last Friday, December 22, at the same time as the winter solstice, 8.17am

In 1982, the year of Prince William's birth, the summer solstice, and the Sun's entrance into the sign of Cancer, took place at 5.23pm GMT on June 21. Those born before that hour would have been Gemini, and after, Cancer. Thus, Prince William, born at 8.03pm GMT on June 21, 1982, in London is a

Yours faithfully. SHELLEY von STRUNCKEL (Astrologer). The Sunday Times, Pennington Street, El. December 27.

On the ether

From Father Tony McSweeney

Sir, Recently I have noticed an apparent increase in advertisements for psychic fairs and the like. One question: why do they need to advertise?

Yours faithfully. A. McSWEENEY, Holy Cross Parish. Tracyes Road, Harlow, Essex.

Downwardly mobile

From Mrs Penelope Martin

Sir. Silently and unannounced, the classless society seems to have arrived. In the 1996 edition of my usual diary I notice that the birthdays of the Royal Family are no longer given: instead, there is a map of the London Underground.

Yours faithfully. PENELOPE MARTIN 12 Willow Road, NW3. December 30.





COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM, NORFOLK December 31: Divine Service was held in Sandringham Parish Church this morning. The Bishop of Norwich preached the Sermon.

Today's events

The Queen's Life Guard mounts at Horse Guards,

New Year's Day birthdays

Or Jack Birks, company chair-man, 76; Lord Colwyn, 54; Sir James Crane, former HIM Chief Inspector of Constabulary, 75: Mr John Fuller, writer, 59; Lord Kingsland, QC, 54; Professor Dame June Lloyd, paediatrician, 68; Sir Albert McQuarrie, former MP, 78; Dr James Merriman, former chairman, National Computing Centre, 81: Mr James Moorhouse, MEP. 72; Colonel P.A. Porteous, VC, 78; Mrs Patience Purdy, former president, National Council of Women of Great Britain. 67: Professor R.A. Raphael, chemist, 75; Mr Lawrence Rowe, cricketer, 47; Mr J.D. Salinger, author, 77; Lord Swansea.

Appointment

Mr Noel Rice has been ap-pointed Hospitaller of the St John Ophthalmic Hospital

Anniversaries today

BIRTHS: Lorenzo de Medici (The Magnificent), Florence, 1449; Huldreich Zwingli, reformer, Wildhaus. 1484: Paul Revere, American patriot, Boston, Massachusetts, 1735; Maria Edgeworth, novelist, Blackbourton, Oxfordshire, 1767; Arthur Hugh Clough, poet, Liverpool, 1819; Sir James Frazer, anthropologist, Glasgow, 1854; Henry Handel Richardson (pen-name of Ethel Florence Lindesay), novelist, Mel-bourne, 1870; E.M. Forster, novelist, London, 1879; William Fox, film producer, Hun-gary, 1879; Martin Niemoller, anti-Nazi priest, Lippstadt, Germany, 1892; J. Edgar Hoo-ver, founder of the FBI, Washington, 1895; H.A.R. (Kim) Philby, British double agent, Ambala, India, 1911; Jack de Manio, broadcaster, 1914.

DEATHS: William Wycherley, dramatist, London, 1716; James Francis Edward Stuart, the "Old Pretender", Rome. 1766; Johann Christian Bach, composer, London, 1782; Heinrich Hertz, physicist, Bonn, 1894; Sir Edwin Lutyens, architect, London. 1944; Maurice Chevalier, actor and singer, Paris, 1972; John Aloysius Costello, Prime Minister of Ireland 1948-51 and 1954-57, 1976.

The Daily Universal Register (renamed The Times on January 1, 1788), was founded, 1785. Act of Union between Great Britain and Ireland came into force, 1801.

The Commonwealth of Australia was established with Edmund Barton as the first prime minister, 1901. Farthing ceased to be legal

Britain entered the Common Market, 1973.

Latest wills

Mr John Philip Smith, of Feeck, Truro, Cornwall, former deputy managing director, British Aero-space (Hatfield/Chester Division), left estate valued at £166,387 net. He left his personal papers retailing to the design and development of various aeroplanes to the Churchill

Helen Moore, of Penrith, Cum-bria, Matron-in-Chief, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing

at E275,067 net. She left £5,000 to the National Trust. Professor Sir David Waldron Smithers, of Knockholt, Kent, Emeritus Professor of Radio-therapy in the University of London and former director of the Radiotherapy Department at the Royal Marsden Hospital, left estate valued at £267,098 net. Mr Kenneth Charles McKeowa. of Darlington. Co Durham, the surgeon in oesophagal surgery, who established the McKeowa Medal of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh awarded annually to the principal lecturer at the college autumn meeting, left estate valued at £1,001,718 net. Mr Douglas Hepworth Robinson, of Albrighton, Salop, former editor of the Journal of the Royal Agricultural Society of England.

and regional director of the Nat-ional Agricultural Advisory Ser-vice for the West Midlands, left estate valued at E369,519 net. Association.
Other estates include (net, before

Ambleside, Cumbria £992,468. Mr Erwin Eltes, of Saxmundham,

Nature notes

THE severe weather drove many birds south. Large flocks of golden plovers, lapwings, fieldfares and redwings were seen heading for parts of the country free of snow. In the Scottish mountains, red grouse burrowed in the snow for heather seeds, while snow buntings moved up to high, wind-swept crags where the snow was thin and there was a chance of finding grass seeds.

Small birds can survive hard frosts provided they get enough food for them to keep up their body temperature through the night. The abundance of berries this winter. especially on the hawthorns, helped blackbirds and thrushes through the days when the ground was frozen and worms were impossible to reach. For greenfinches, there was a good harvest of hornbeam seeds.

Small insect-eating birds easy prey. such as wrens and goldcrests

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RIRTHS



The snow bunting

were the most vulnerable. especially when the twigs and buds were covered with ice. and there are bound to have been deaths among these. Wrens huddle together at night to keep warm, sometimes in old nests. Pied wag-tails go down to rivers and patrol the edges, looking for tiny insects that have been washed up. Sparrow hawks thrive on enfeebled birds, and foxes find hungry rabbits an

Royal Air Force promotions Half yearly promotions The Ministry of Defence an-nounces the following RAF promo-tions all effective from today: Flight Lieutenant to Squadron

Air Rank promotions Air Commodore to Air Vice-J C French: B C McCandless; M Van der Veen; M D Smart Group Captain to Air Com-

D C Andrews; L A Doble; J H Haines: N [Hamilton: F Jeffers: D K Norriss: B J Poulton: T W Rimmer; P J Scott; G J Woodley; R E O Johnson: C R Fowler.

General Duties Branch Wing Commander to Group

P A Barrett; P C Bingham; R F Burrough; A Campbell; D S Griggs: I S Hall; R J Hounslow; A J Lockwood: B G McLaren; D M Moss; J C Platt; J W Thorpe; F L Turner, S A Wrigley.
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Goodbourn; M C Green; J A Hill;
P M Kelly: R Lock; D R Mason; K
H Maxwell; R J A Powell; S
Randles: F D Ryall; G M Stapleton; K K Thomson; M D Squadron Leader to Wing Wylie.

Flight Lieutenant to Squadron P M D Brown; P T Coleman; R L

Prince Harry gallantly helps to keep the rain off his grandmother and great grandmother as they walked

together to Sandringham Parish Church for morning service yesterday

R M Allchorne; N R Benson; P S Boyland; N H Brady; E S Brannan; M J Broome; G B Brown: D N Cass; J M Cass; S Chiddention; N A Cobb; P K Corner; B T Connolly; A Coy; S C Evans: RJ Floyd: S1 Richards; S A Richardson: P M Riches: P J Roberts; R C Rose; P J Smyth; P A Storey; D M Sutcliffe; M C Sutton: A N J Thorogood; L J Trask: S C Turner; C J Wesley.

General Duties (Ground) Branch Wing Commander to Group Cap-tain: B T Dingle: M J Fuller; N J

Squadron Leader to Wing Com-mander: A J Clare, J A Colgate, N H M Finely: N J Gordon; V Thompson: C C Trundle; D J Walker; R A W Wilkins. Flight Lieutenant to Squadron ider: D Barber; R P C Brown; A S Corbett: P H Gibb: S Johnson: A

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L Wilson; J A Young. Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader: P D Annal; A P R Box; A J Conant; S J Edmondson; B R Evans; D Evans; M Gibson; P J Evans; D Evans; M Gibson; P J
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Johnstone; T M Maher: A P
March; P J R McGeough; M
McMillan; N Murray; N J Phillips; S M Russell; T N Turner; C L
Walder; S R Wilkinson; H L Wray.

Supply Branch Wing Commander to Group Cap-tain: C A Gardiner, N S Morris; R

Squadron Leader to Wing Com-mander: S P Atherton; R J Kennett; ATB Wilkinson Flight Lieutenant to Squadron PG Cook: B L Craib; H V Firth; S P Fletcher; T A Henderson; P Hig-gins; K S Jones; R J O'Keele; S J

Administrative Branch Wing Commander to Group Cap-tain: P J Hilling; B J Jerstice; P J Lewis; D J Pocock

Rose; P J Serrell Cooke.

Squadron Leader to Wing Commander: RAJ Castle: REV Clark: JM Cruickshank; P J Hughesdon; R R Innes, J P Mayne; A F Monish; D P Murray: P Rooney; C F Shaw: R Shields; E Wyn-Jones. Flight Lieutenant to Squadron

Leader: J Boston; D J Bowles; L Calveley; T G Collett; S J Crowder; H Flatt; M Garwood; J Good; A A Gough; M Garwood; J Good; A A Gough; M
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Smith; S J Spenoe; J W Stanfield; A
G Stewart; A Walker; M J Weight;
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Security Branch Wing Commander to Group C R Morgan.

Squadron Leader to Wing Commander: K R Dipper; P A M Kennedy; N Mcgonigle. Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader: N Bray; R E Coorabes; R A Highmore, A Slater, W S Taylor.

Dental Branch Group Captain to Air Commodore: I G McIntyre.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M.J. Brennsto and Miss L.H. Stepan The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr and Mrs John Breman, of Conisbrough, Doncaster, and Lucy Henrietta, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Stepan, of Northwick House, Hampton

Dr S.W.A. Cannon-Brookes and Miss O.S. Gaikovich The engagement is announced between Stephen, only son of Dr and Mrs Peter Cannon-Brookes, of Abingdon, Oxfordshire, and Olga Svetoslavna, only daughter of Mr S, and Dr T. Gaikovich, of St

Mr W.J. de Vanney and Ms S.E. McQuiggan The engagement is announced between Liam, son of Mrs Patricia de Vanney, of London, and Sarah. danghter of Mr John McQuiggan.

Mr J.L. Little and Miss K. Chandle The engagement is amounced between Justin, only son of Mr and Mrs Brian Little, of Dartford, Kent, and Kate, only daughter of Mrs Diane Chandler, of Epping,

Mr A.J.G. Millington and Miss S.J. Orwin

The engagement is announced between Alex, son of Mr and Mrs J.G. Millington, of Brockworth, Gloucestershire, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs G.M. Orwin, of East Grinstead, West Mr D.R. Naylor and Miss L.J. Nathan

The engagement is announced between David, elder son of Mr P.R. and Dr D.H.R. Naylor, of Nottingham, and Lisa, younger daughter of Mrs I. Nathan, of Mr J.H. van Oppen and Miss A.C. Odone

The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Mr and Mrs Martin van Oppen, of Mediourne, Leicestershire, and Armabel, daughter of Mr Tim Odone, of Kimpton, Hampshire and the late Mrs Ann Odone.

and Miss T.M. Williamot.
The engagement is announced between Adam, younger son of Mr and Mrs John Linson, of New Town. Edinburgh, and Tessa, daughter of Mr John Willmost, of St Peterport. Guernsey, and Mrs Jo McConville, of Henley-on-Thames Coffordiships. Tharnes, Oxfordshire Mr A.J. Moran

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of the late Mr Joseph Moran, QC, CB, and of Mrs Margaret Moran, of Wimble-don, London, and Jessica, elder daughter of the late Mr George Pulay and of Lady Harman, of Chelses, London. Mr D.M. Soper and Miss H. Bown

The engagement is announced between David Michael, younger son of Mr and Mrs Robert Arthur Soper, of Queen Carnel, Somerser, and Helen, only daughter of Mr Gordon George Bown, of Middle

Mr O.A.C. Watson and Miss A.J. Scott

The engagement is announced between Oliver, elder son of Mr Jeremy Waison, of Pollensa, Mallorca, and Mrs Felicity Clover, of Broadwoodkelly, Devon, and Annabel, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Donald Scott, of Cobham, Surrey.

Mr J.N. Wilden and Dr M.J. Hatten

The engagement is announced between John, only son of the late Mr Norris Wilden and of Mrs A.F. Wilden, of Ravensbead, Notting ham, and Marion, only daughter of Mr and Mrs John Charles Hatton, of Brettenham, Suffolk, Mr R.D. Wootton

and Miss S.J. Scious The engagement is announced between Robin, younger son of the late Mr and Mrs A.G. Wootton, o Wepham, Arundei, Sussex, and Sarah Jane. daughter of Commander G.M.B. Selous, OBE, VRD, JP, of Langley Grange, Norfolk and the late Mrs Miranda Selous, of Chobbam, Surrey.

Siege weapons began biological warfare

By NORMAN HAMMOND, ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

ONE of the most potent siege weapons of ancient times is now known to have helped. Arab armies conquer the Middle East and North Africa 1,300 years ago. Long thought to have arrived from China only in the Middle Ages, the trebuchet "was known in Arabia and used to great effect by the Islamic armies", according

to Dr Paul Chevedden. The trebuchet was a successor to the catabult, itself a mechanisation of the bow; but where the catapult drew its energy from the elasticity of twisted ropes or sinews, the trebuchet used the force of gravity, with or without human aid.

The weapon consisted of a long pivoted arm. Traction was supplied at one end, mitially by men pulling on ropes, later by a fixed or hinged counterweight; at the other end was a sling holding the projectile, which would fly free at the top of the arc described by the swivelling

The most commonly used heavy catapults in antiquity threw a rock of up to 27kg (60lb), with a range of 160 metres. The most powerful trebuchets, however, could throw a ton or more. The working reconstruction built by Hew Kennedy and Richard Barr in Shropshire and shown on television throws pianos with ease from its 60ft arm. and has even tossed a small car more than 200ft.

This devastating siege en-gine seems to have been invented in China late in the Warring States period, just

prior to the unification of China under Qin Shi Huang Di, the first emperor, in the third century BC. Dr Chevedden's work has shown that the trebuchet reached the east Mediterranean before AD 600, and was instrumental in the rapid expansion of the Arab empire between AD 624 and 656.

"It displaced other forms of artillery and held its own until well after the coming of gunpowder," he and three colleagues report in Scientific American_

The Islamic technical fiterature has been neglected, but a treatise by Yusuf ibn Urunbugha al-Zaradkash written in 1462 provides amazingly detailed construction and operating specifications, with numerous illustrations, offering "a unique insight into the applied mechanics of premodern societies", they

They have used computer simulations to recover design principles lost for centuries, they claim. These include the sophisticated use of hinged and propped counterweights to increase the efficiency with which the trebuchet converted gravity to projectile motion. The efficiency of the device is shown by a Danish reconstruction that clustered shots within a six-metre square at 180 metres range.

At the siege of Kaffa in the Crimea in 1345-6, the Mongols used them offensively, to hurl plague-ridden corpses into the city. Thus the Black Death came to Europe, and biological warfare was born.

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DEATHS

FRANKI. - Daphna (née Warrington), beloved wife and companion of Dr F. Franki for almost 50 years, died unexpectedly at home in Welwyn Garden City on 20th December 1996. 20th December 1998.

PRASER - On 28th December at Charing Cross Hospital. Stands Barron, Gearly loved husband of Prusella and father of Katherine Gotto.

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SEYMOUR - On December 28th, 1995 in a nursing home. Hence Many retired nursing sister aged 78 beloved sunt, sister and friend. Funeral, Purtamonth Cathedral 2.30pm on Tuesday 9th Jamany, 1996. No flowers by douations if desired to State Manuferille Hospital.

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ROBESCH - On December 28th 1995, paccathly at the new home in Lower Broadheath. Worcester. Charles Portland Robinson OEE MC TO DL. Aurnauty of Old Braupton. Chesterfield, beloved after of Jennifer, Judith and James. Cremation at Worcester on Monday Jamusry 8th 1996 at 320 pm. Thanksplving service at St. Peter and St. Peter St. Peter and St.

desidy to Alexandra. Dearty heloved son of Bernard and Peggy. We loved him and will always miss him. Family funeral at Barham Crumstorium on Wednesday January 3rd 1996 at 4pm. Thanksaiving Service at Comban Parish Church on Friday January 5th at 2 pm to which all friends are warnaly invited. Flowers walcome or donations to The Demekra House Californ's Housic for the provision of hosis) via C.W. Lycus & Son Ltd. 70 Military Road. Californ's ACSEG. WASO - benti (key) widow of lell in her sleep on Christness Day aged 87. Much missed by her children Marcia. Charles, Lucinda, George and her eleven grandchildren. Themiogiving service on January 6th at Buckland Newton Church at 2-20 pm. Engoiries to Co-operative Funeral Service. Dorchester. Tai: (01:308) 268883.

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OBITUARIES

Professor Sir William

Trethowan, CBE, Professor of

Psychiatry, 1962-82, and Dean of

the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, 1968-74, University of

Birmingham, died on

December 15 aged 78. He was

WILLIAM TRETHOWAN was in

his prime during an era when

governments actively sought, and

often accepted, the advice of the medical profession on the develop-

ment of policies for health and health

Psychiatry at the University of Sydney in 1956, he found conditions in

the mental hospitals to be, in his

word, appalling. He rewrote the Mental Health Act virtually single-handed. In six years he persuaded the state Health Department to

embark on a wide-ranging programme of service developments that

were long overdue, and took part in

much of the planning; at the same time attending to a busy personal clinical practice and the teaching

needs of 180 medical students. He

also found time for music, his life-

in his early years in Birmingham

he passed through that mysterious

process of emergence, the instinctive

recognition by his peers of some

special quality which a written list of

rtues might not have revealed.

Almost imperceptibly he appeared on all the important medical school

committees, quickly spreading his in ambrace the Regional Hospital

Board and, later, a number of

national and other advisory bodies.

Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry coincided with the student unrest

that was widespread throughout Europe. Legend has it that he

repelled an angry horde on the steps

of the medical school simply by his

imposing presence and the use of two

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Street to be Vicar, Kingsbury Episcopi w East Lambrook. Hambridge and Earnshill (Bath and Wells).

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minster (Worcester). The Rev Stephen Goldsmith, NSM, Lincoln, St Nicholas w St John, Newport (Lincoln): to be NSM Team parish of St Mary's, Kidderminster (Worceser). The Rev David Hayden, Vicar, Cromer, Priest-in-charge, Gresham, Chaplam Cromer and District and Fletcher Hospitals and Rural Dean of Repps (Nor-Warsley, to be Director of Studies. Wilson Carble College of Evan-

complex relations that exist between academic medicine and the NHS and some of his most important contributions as Dean were at this interface. His time on the Regional Hospital Board, and later Regional Health

Authority, coincided with the development of district general hospitals, which he realised would be important for undergraduate teaching as well as for service. Decisions in the NHS in those days were reached more easily - or at least more quickly. Trethowan would later fondly recall the weekly meetings between the Dean and the Regional Medical Officer after which things just happened".

His appointment to national bodies followed naturally: Consultant Adviser in Psychiatry to the DHSS: chairman of the Standing Mental Health Advisory Committee, Standing Medical Advisory Committee and Central Health Services Council. The membership of the latter body included both medical and other health professionals in equal numbers, and was a recognition that clinical care was increasingly dependent on team work. Trethowan was exactly the right man to bring together proud professionals of independent view and lead them, not to a watered down consensus, but to a conviction as to the best way forward.

William Henry Trethowan, known to his friends as Bill, was born into a Cornish family that had medical connections on both sides over several generations. His father was a surgeon at Guy's Hospital. His mother, turning in her widowhood to medicine, studied at the Royal Free Hospital Medical School and qualified as a doctor on the same day as

Trethowan's time at Clare College, Cambridge, and at Guy's Hospital was marked more by fun than by work. He led his own orchestra. The Arimetheans, on trumpet, and directing the music of The Footlights. A highlight was the broadcast by the BBC of Little Miss Rosalind, a



musical comedy based on As You Like It. with music written by Trethowan, which received enthusiastic reviews in the national press. Trethowan trained in psychiatry at the Maudesley Hospital and spent a period in Boston as a Fulbright Scholar, before becoming first lec-

PROFESSOR SIR WILLIAM TRETHOWAN

University of Manchester. He was a first-class dinician whose approach to psychiatry was eclectic. Throughout his professional life he was an encourager of others, and several of his juniors went on to high academic positions. His own research output was relatively modest turer, and later senior lecturer, at the and concentrated on rare conditions.

These studies were captured in Uncommon Psychiatric Syndromes, co-authored with David Enoch. which is now in its third edition. He also had a longstanding interest in the relationship between mental illness and musical creativity and made special studies among others. of Elgar, Finzi, and Ivor Gurney.

Trethowan believed strongly in the unity of medicine. In common with several other senior colleagues he was initially opposed to the creation of the Royal College of Psychiatrists. arguing instead for a faculty within the Royal College of Physicians. He did, however, accept the majority view, and served for ten years as senior examiner in the new college.

Shortly before his retirement, Trethowan agreed to chair the steering committee that brought into being the Medical School in the Chinese University of Hong Kong. He was quietly pleased that within ten years of the first students graduating in 1985, the school is widely recognised as a centre of excellence.

Trethowan's services to medicine were officially recognised when he was appointed CBE in 1975, and knighted in 1980.

He had great personal charm though at times it could seem a little slow to warm up - and an enjoyment of surreal humour that found resonance with Edward Lear, Groucho Marx and Alfred Hitchcock.

In Australia, the Trethowan home was remembered by Clive James as a hostel-cum-clinic for highly strung would-be poets". In Birmingham he and his first wife Pamela were fabled hosts, remembered for impromptu parties, with gourmet food and introductions by Pamela to her latest protégé from the theatre. Afterwards there would be jazz.

Trethowan succumbed to serious depression when Pamela died in 1985, but found renewed happiness two years later in his marriage to Heather. He is survived by her, and by two daughters and a son from his first marriage.

BRIAN BROCKLESS

Brian Brockless, organist, conductor and composer, died on ber 18 aged 69. He was born on January 21, 1926. BRIAN BROCKLESS, Direc-

tor of Music at the Priory Church of St Bartholomewthe-Great, Smithfield, was a. musician, who shumed the type of personal limelight so sought after nowadays. Hearing Bynd's Great Service sung. church he loved so well was. however, an unforgettable experience - because his understanding of the music was not cold or sterile but warm and found musical scholar and an inspiring choral trainer.

His annual Easter performance of Bach's St John Passion became famous for the right musical reasons. His musical knowledge was allied to good taste as an interpreter. His choristers were inspired by his civilising obsession with the music. Brockless was a virtuoso organist and a superbly accomplished pianist Abbey Records made two LP records of the Priory Church Choir.

Brian Brockless was born in London, the son of an amateur hornist and baritone. His sister Pauline was a fine contralto singer - principally in oratorio during the later 1940s and early 1950s. Sir Malcolm Sargent admired her artistry and engaged her as a soloist more than once in the penultimate concerts of the Promenade season.

Brockless's uncle was his first music teacher but he was also mindful of his father's teaching and adjudications at local eisteddfods. It was this background which made him determined to encourage

music-making.
Under the National Service Acts he was directed to become a "Bevin Boy", working in the coal mines. In fact, because the war had ended, he was never drafted into the mines but instead enrolled at the Royal College of Music, studying organ and composition

under Herbert Howells. A significant part of his musical expression, however, lay in singing. As a counter-tenor he sang with several fine choirs, including the first Elizabethan Singers, with the Schola Polyfonica, and in Pro Cantione Antiqua under Hen-Washington at Brompton

In 1961 Brockless succeeded Paul Steinitz as Director of Music at the Priory Church of St Bartholomew-the-Great, Smithfield. He stayed until the pressure of other work led him to resign in 1971. But in 1979 he was reappointed and remained there for the rest of his

The ambience of the church seemed perfect for great music, and even the simplest. melodic introit or recessional chant could enthral. During

Brockless's long directorship. he widened the choir's repertoire, with his adult singers annually giving cycles of con-certs, always of a remarkable range and performed with verve. In addition to renderings of the Messiah or the St John Passion, the Priory Festival Chair sang Fauré, Purcell, Victoria, Buxtehude, Copland and Poulenc. Brockless also arranged

lunchtime recitals. For twenty years he was a part-time professor at the Roy-al Academy of Music and was made an honorary member of the RAM. For several years he was a director, subsequently senior lecturer, at the University of Surrey, as well as running evening classes at Goldsmiths College and at Morley College. He himself was much in demand as a

conductor. As early as 1963 he won the Conducting Award at the Academia Musicale at Siena. His later career took in concerts with the New English Singers, with the London Schubert Orchestra (including an Italian tour), the ECO, the Northern Sinfonia, the RPO, and the Philomusica of Brockless's compositions in-

clude an affecting Elegy for string orchestra, Three Poems of Shelley for contralto and piano, a Missa Brevis, at least six choral anthems, an *Introit*, Magnificat, and Nunc Dimittis, together with a Toccata Upon Tallis's Twelfth Tune, a toccata commissioned for perthedral's Organ Week in July 1982; and an Introduction, Passacaglia and Coda commissioned for performance in Westminster Abbey. These and other works have been widely performed abroad. His personality was endear-

ing, the face lean as his body. filled with intelligence and lined by deep emotional experiences. Personally a bon viveur. Brockless could be highly entertaining as a raconteur and mimic. But, more seriously, he was a shrewd judge of human character and potential. Despite his talents, his happiness with his second wife and his delight and pride in his two sons - both fine musicians like their father he frequently remarked in periods of depression that he felt "finished" (he was due to retire jast month).

In a man of his intense musical activity, such an admission may have signalled the burn-out his admirers had long feared. But his musicianship will have left its mark. The music of the Renaissance he loved more than that of any other age. To all his friends he was the embodiment of Re-

naissance man. Brian Brockless married, first, in 1950 Muriel Jones, by whom he had one son. This marriage was dissolved in 1974. He married, secondly in 1978, Jennifer Wright, by whom he also had a son. She and his sons survive him.

WOYTEK LOWSKI

Woytek Lowski, dancer and ballet master, died in Warsaw of an Aidsrelated illness on November 24, aged 56. He was born in Brzesc on October 11, 1939.

WOYTEK LOWSKI began to take dancing lessons as a 13-year-old in Warsaw because he wanted to become an actor and thought it would be helpful to move well. Later he studied with Leon Woizikowski, a former star of the Diaghiley, Pavlova and de Basil Ballet Russe companies, who was then directing the Warsaw Opera Bailet: Lowski joined the company in 1958, the highest level and Lowski was fired with ambition to progress further when he saw performances and films by Russian dancers.

Managing to secure a government scholarship, the young man undertook two further years of study at the Vaganova School, Leningrad. where his teacher was Alexander Pushkin (whose pupils had also included Nureyev and Baryshnikov). Lowski took part in the school's regular performances and also danced the "peasant pas de deux" in Giselle for the Kirov Ballet, with Natalia Makarova and Yuri Soloviev in the leading roles.

Back with the Warsaw Ballet as a soloist, he submitted himself in 1964 for the first international ballet competition in Varna, Bulgaria, and won a silver medal against very stiff opposition: the men's gold medal was shared between Vladimir Vassiliev (also grand prix), Nikita Dolgushin and Sergei Vikulov, already principal dancers of the Bolshoi and Kirov companies. This success made Lowski

known outside Poland and in 1966 Maurice Béjart asked him to join his Ballet of the Twentieth Century, These were the days of the Iron Curtain but the Polish Ministry of Culture gave consent for Lowski to accept. His five years there included roles in Romeo and Juliet (as Tybalt).

Baudelaire, Actus Tragicus and Ni fleurs, ni couronnes, which was Bejart's variation on choreographic themes from

The Sleeping Beauty,
Blessed with a powerful but elegant physique and excep-tionally handsome features, Lowski could have relied on his looks and his strong technique for success but he never lost his early interest in acting, and said later that from Bejart he had learnt to go beyond virtuoso steps "to move the public make them laugh, touch them, unnerve them, make them think". There followed two years

with Roland Petit's Marseilles Ballet, where he found special him as the bird of the Revolution in Mayakowsky. In 1973 he was invited to join the Boston Ballet, where (apart from guest engagements in Warsaw and South Africa) he remained until 1979. There his repertoire included Carmina Burana and the title part in Hamlet, both with choreography by Lorenzo Monreal, besides Giselle and Agnes de Mille's Fall River Legend. When arthritis, following a

hip injury, put an early end to Lowski's dancing career, he turned to teaching and revealed a notable flair, thanks to his intelligent analysis of what he had learnt from widely different sources in Russia, Europe and America. Balanchine's School of American Ballet in New York was among the institutions where he worked, and he was guest teacher with many leading ballet companies (Paris, Rome, Berlin, Rio de Janeiro. Hamburg among others) before becoming ballet master to the American Ballet Theatre under Barvshnikov's direction, 1982-84, and the Royal Ballet of Flanders under Valery Panov's leadership.

Both the Royal Ballet and English National Ballet brought him to England as a guest teacher before the latter company appointed him ballet master in 1988, a post he held until recently when he returned to his native land as his illness became severe.



VISCOUNT

ASHBROOK

Viscount Ashbrook, KCVO, MBE, farmer and landowner, died on December 5 aged 90. He was born on July 9, 1905.

DESMOND FLOWER, who succeeded to his Irish title as the 10th Viscount Ashbrook in 1936, made a major contribu-tion to the development of Cheshire agriculture after the Second World War. He played a full part in the public life of the county, of which he served as a Deputy Lieutenant, and helped to preserve the ancient estate of Arley as an important part of its heritage.

Desmond Llowarch Edw-

ard Flower had a rural upbringing, spending his early years at his family home at Castle Durrow, Ireland. But, having read history at Balliol College, Oxford, he trained as a chartered accountant and went to work in the City of London. However, this was not to last for long. He volunteered in 1938 for the TA and with the outbreak of war served in France in the 5th Battalion of the Cheshire Regiment and in the Royal Artillery — for which he was awarded the MBE (mil) in

1945. After the war, he decided not to return to accountancy but to devote himself instead to the management of the estate at Arley, the ancestral home of his wife Elizabeth Egerton-Warburton, whom he had married in 1934.

Exacting conditions vailed in British agriculture during the 1940s and 1950s. There was continual pressure to increase home food production in order to minimise reliance on imports. Ashbrook strove to ensure that Arley was at the forefront of modern

developments. He instituted an extensive drainage system and modernised many of the estate buildings. A number of new buildings were also erected, including one of the earliest carousel (moving circular) milking parlours for the distinguished herd of pedigree Guernseys which Ashbrook built up after the war - this herd was later replaced by one

of Friesians. In the 1960s Arley became an ICI-costed farm. One of the objectives of this scheme was to maximise the use of conserved grass - grass being the best natural crop of Cheshire

as a feed for cattle, thereby reducing the reliance on concentrates. Ashbrook co-operated extensively with ICI.

He also took a great interest in the development of forestry at Arley as well as helping his wife in the restoration and improvement of the magnificent gardens which were opened to the public in 1960.

Ashbrook was chairman of the Agricultural Executive Committee for Cheshire - a government-appointed body which had powers to regulate farmers in the interests of good husbandry and improved food production. He was also an active member of the Country Landowners' Association representing Cheshire

on its council in London. From 1957 to 1977 he was a member of the Council of the Duchy of Lancaster helping to supervise their extensive estates and to reorganise their accountancy systems. He was appointed KCVO in 1977 in

recognition of this work. Lord Ashbrook is survived by his wife Elizabeth, and a son and daughter. His son Michael now becomes the 11th Viscount.

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The Rev Roy Davies, Rector, New Quay w Llanina (St David's): to be Vicar, West Bromwich St Francis (Friar Park) (Lichfield). The Rev Andy Davis, Assistant Curate, St Mark, North End (Portsmouth): to be Bishop's Chapiam, diocese Portsmouth. The Rev Nigel Dent, Chaplain, HM Young Offenders Institute,

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On reviewing the occurrences of last year, we observe with sincere satisfaction, that the present commences under auspices far more favourable than those which marked the beginning of the year 1795; and that a reasonable prospect is now held out to us, that, before the close of the present year, peace and tranquility will be restored to

ON THIS DAY

January 1, 1796 **经验制的**

The writer's hopes that 1796 would be a year of peace were not realised: Pit's negotiations with France broke down; France invaded Germany:

Spain declared war on Britain and in December the French made an abortive invasion at Bantry Bay. The Times had a bad new year: its comm ding circulation of about 4,500 in 1795 fell. Europe, which pants for it with anxious fondness

encement of 1795, we saw the French victorious all along the Rhine; successfully invade Holland; devastate Belgium and the Electorates; recapture Valenciennes; take Maestricht, Luxembourg, and many other fortresses, which had baffled the boldest cilions of Louis XIV, which has caused the towering projects of that powerful and ambitious Monarch. It was very doubtful at that period, whether Germany would be able to avoid the yoke with which it was threatened by those new tyrants, who carried every where an iron sceptre, decreased with the delusive emblems of liberty. Every thing now wears a quite different aspect. Those lofty Republicans have sunk under their own triumphs. The temerity with which they crossed that famous river which forms the hubback of ancient General has bulwark of ancient Germany, has brought on them defeats and disasters, the consequences of which it is impossible to calculate.

If from the theatre of war we proceed into the interior of the Republic, we perceive a new Government cemented with French blood: or-ganized in open contempt of that very constitution which is to bring it into action; adopting the most vexatious measures, and committing the most scandalous encroachments on the rights of property: resuming all the fundamental prin-ciples and forms of the reign of terror, which marked the revolution with the most enormous horrors under the reign of Robespie

If, on the contrary, we cast our looks on this happy island, we here find a vigorous Government, gathering encreased strength from the very storms which the French democracy endeavours to draw around it. We see a Legislative Body closely united with Administration for the purpose of checking factious men; and of preserving unimpaired that glorious Constitu-tion, which is deservedly the admiration of Europe, and forms the glory of Great Britain. Seditious meetings are suppressed; lawful assemblies are regulated: the national credit rises in proportion as that of our enemies sinks into ruin; extends and secures our trade, and opens new

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NEWS

I won't cut and run, says Major

☑ John Major accused the latest Tory defector of "cutting and running" as the Conservative high command tried to head off further desertions. In his first comment on Emma Nicholson's switch to the Liberal Democrats, the Prime Minister underlined his determination to soldier on until next year.

Miss Nicholson said in an interview with The Times that a Tory MP punched her in the stomach after she voted for

How Wilson pioneered the soundbite

The political soundbite was invented for Harold Wilson 30 years ago by a professional speaking coach who told him to keep it short, keep it sharp and avoid fancy flights of oratory. The unsung pioneer was Cicely Berry, later the Royal Shakespeare Company's voice coach.... . Pages 1, 6

Into the lion's den

Gillian Shephard is to confront classroom militants head-on at Easter when she becomes the first Conservative Education Secretary for lo years to address the annual conference of the National Union of Teachers Page I

Unionist pledge

The Ulster Unionists would would support John Major if Labour tabled a no-confidence motion. John Taylor, the party's deputy leader, said. The Unionists had no reason to bring about an early general election and he regarded speculation about a poll this year as ill-founded Page 2

Crock of gold

The prospect of a record £33 million National Lottery jackpot was condemned as grotesque and obscene by senior churchmen and political figuresPage 3

General on attack

General Sir Peter de la Billière, Britain's commander in the Gulf War, has accused the Defence Ministry of "disgraceful interference" during the conflict. He feared for Tornado pilots and wanted the low-level raids on Iraqi targets halted Page 4

Novice decline

The number of nuns and monks in England and Wales has fallen by a third in a decade, a rate of decline that could threaten some of the 300 orders and missionaries all over the world Page 4 had recovered

Ambridge fever

The agricultural paraphernalia has changed from the days when the fields of Ambridge were ploughed by shire horses, but the storylines are as gripping. The Archers is celebrating its 45th

That was the year...

Labour was in power, Churchill died, hanging was abolished, and the "permissive society" was in full swing: 1965 was the year that bridged two eras

Vietnam dilemma

Harold Wilson told President Lyndon Johnson privately that he wanted British troops to support the American action in Vietnam. In public, he had to appease the anti-American views of the Lab-

Fayourite son

It seemed inconceivable until recently, but the election year begins with Bill Clinton favourite to become the third Democratic President to win re-election since

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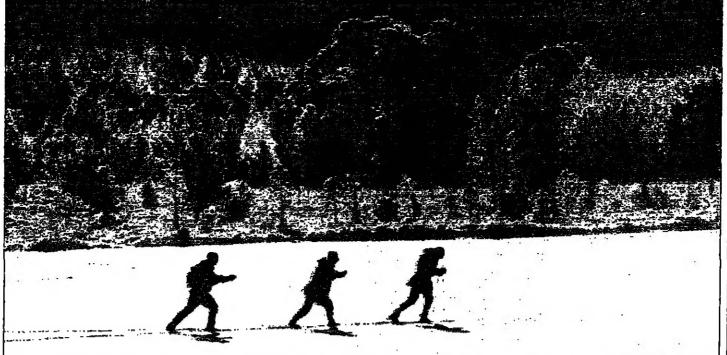
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Feeling better

President Yeltsin and the Pope reappeared in public after illnesses to deliver new year messages and reassure the world that they

The morning after the year before

Feeling rough? Dry mouth? Throbbing head? New Year's Day is the festival of St Hangover and all over the country. people are feeling bad or worse. But the secret of the hangover cure is that there isn't one. By all means try a prairie oyster, irnbru or the hair of the dog. But nothing works much better than Alka-Seltzer — if you can stand the fizz...... Page 3



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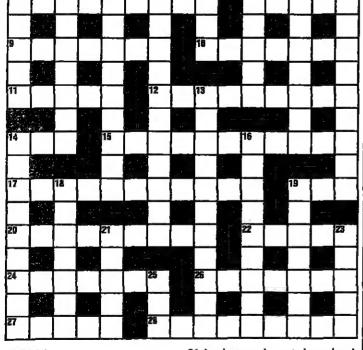
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Scotland with snow over the hills. ☐ London, SE England, E Anglia, E England: Cloudy and misty with fog patches and outbreaks of drizzle. Wind gentle, southeast. Feeling milder. Max 6C (43F). ☐ Central S England, Channe isles, SW England, S Wales: Cloudy, with mist and fog patches, some brighter spells. Wind light, southeast. Mild. Max 11C (52F).

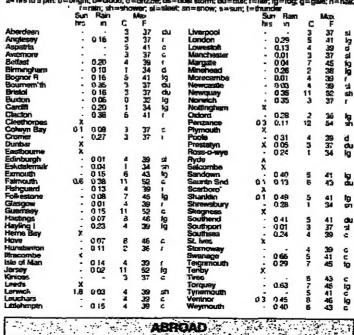
☐ E Midlands, W Midlands, N Wales, NW England, Isle of Man, Central N England: Cloudy with mist and fog patches some bright spells developing. Wind moderate, southeast. Feeling milder. Max 6C

Bordera, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glas-gow, Central Highlands, Argyll, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain and sleet with snow over hills, clearing from the south. Wind moderate, south-

east. Max 5C (41F).

Moray Firth, NE Scotland,
Orkney, Shetland: Rain and sleet spreading from the south. Wind fresh, southeasterly. Max 4C (39F). Outlook: Rain cleaning Scotland, mild and misty, with brighter spells developing.

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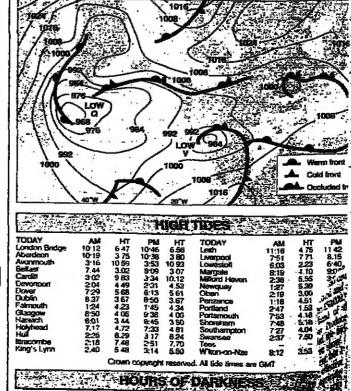
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Changes to chart below from noon: low V will despen further and move into Continent. Low Q will deepen slightly and remain to the south of Greenk



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